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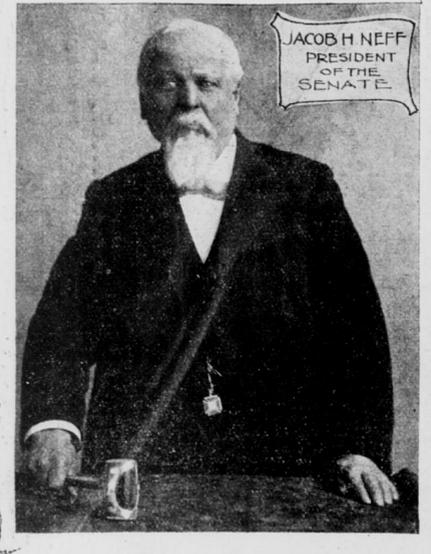
## CONVENING OF THE 33D SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE

### Scenes and Incidents Attending the Formal Opening Ceremonies.

### FORECAST OF THE SESSION BY THE FATHER OF THE SENATE

B. F. LANGFORD.

DO not see that this session of the Legislature is to be marked by any unusual legislation; in fact, I think there will be little done other than routine work. History will not be much changed when it is over. I do think, however, that there will be some much-needed agricultural legislation, and that as a result of it the deficiency in the funds of the District Agricultural societies will be lifted. Our rivers and harbors and general debris troubles have been taken up by the National Government and from all I can see the Government is perfectly able to take care of them. The tax payers are willing that it should anyway, and I think we will take the changes. I will simply work for clean and effective legislation, and it looks as though we are going to have it.



JACOB H. NEFF  
PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

HENRY T. GAGE



First Business Before the Senate.

are to a farmer's lad; for he has held the gavel on so many important occasions that their number is beyond recollection. In the Assembly there is also a goodly proportion of familiar faces and no lack of legislative lore. When Chief Clerk Duckworth rapped for order he looked down on faces that have fronted the Speaker's stand in that same Assembly Chamber at almost every session during the past twelve years. Of the new members there are few who

have not at least a passing knowledge of the formalities by which they are expected to build the wishes and needs of their constituents into laws. Those who are without that knowledge are willing to learn. An active lobby and a desire to acquire knowledge can be counted on to produce results on short notice. There were others than legislators present at the opening session. This is the season of Sacramento's harvest and her citizens of either sex are not slow to do it honor. Every available foot of the floor space in the galleries and in the auditorium of both the Senate and Assembly chambers was occupied by those who were eager to witness the incoming of the new body of legislators. Senatorial candidates and their friends are here in force, and all were anxious to get positions where they would be in evidence before the men who are soon to select a man to represent California in the upper house of Congress. As much of a "pull" was necessary to get a foothold in favored vantage places as it takes to get a political job on the San Francisco water front. To those already mentioned as honoring the opening session with their presence must be added a small party of political pot hunters who have gathered here for purposes of personal profit or prospective gain.



C.M. BELSHAW.

### PRESIDENT NEFF SAYS HE WILL CUT DOWN EXPENSES

IN my opinion the present session of the Legislature will be an important epoch in the history of the State. It will be important for the reason that bills will be introduced for the purpose of reducing the expenses of State institutions, as well as other economic measures. The latter course is made necessary on account of the unpromising outlook of the State this year, due to a dry season. I believe that a number of the existing State commissions should be dispensed with. Such action would lessen the burden of taxpayers. The initial work of the session will no doubt be somewhat handicapped on account of the closing of the State Printing Office. A number of important reports should have been printed and laid before the members of the Legislature during the present week. Appreciating the voluminous business that must be transacted during the session, I propose to use my utmost endeavors to expedite such legislation as shall in due course come before the Senate. JACOB H. NEFF, Lieutenant Governor.



ALDEN ANDERSON



R.N. BULLA



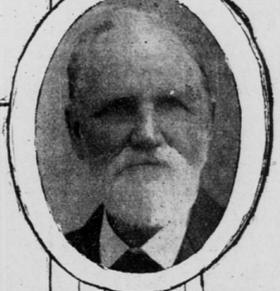
JOHN BOGGS.



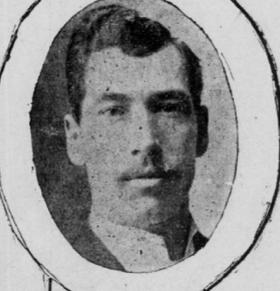
W.M. CUTTER



H.E. WRIGHT  
SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY



OWEN WADE



J.B. SANFORD.



### SPEAKER WRIGHT WILL HELP MAKE WISE LAWS.

To this session of the Legislature just begun the people of the State of California are looking anxiously. Upon its deliberations much depends. On account of conditions consequent to the failure of crops, and over which the people of the State had no control, we are just emerging from a condition unusual to us. For this and other reasons it will devolve upon this Legislature to carefully preserve the interests of our people by the enactment of wise laws. I believe the people of the State can depend upon the members of this Legislature to do all that is necessary. Whatever lies in my power to aid in bringing about this end I will do. HOWARD E. WRIGHT, Speaker of the Assembly.

THE ASSEMBLY STARTS ITS WORK.