

LEGISLATURE IS NOW IN SESSION

Lawmakers Meet for Organization and Adjourn Until Tomorrow.

THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

It will be Read by the Chief Executive at Tuesday's Joint Session.

"Square Deal for All" the Rule of Procedure Laid Down by President Gardner and Speaker Robinson.

It took exactly 15 minutes today for the two chief law making bodies of Utah to get together, organize, notify each other that they had organized, and settle down to the routine grind of work that will characterize their efforts for the next 60 days.

No bills were reported in today. This was because committees on rules must first make their reports, and these must be adopted. A departure from a usual custom is in the fact that the message of Governor Spry, was not referred to in a joint assembly. Governor Spry instructed the committees of the house and senate which called to notify him that the legislature was in session that it was his pleasure to meet them tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock p.m. A motion accordingly was made and passed in the senate that the body adjourn until 1:30 p.m. generally, and the governor's message will be listened to.

In the meanwhile there will be much to do. President Henry Gardner will be selecting chairmen for the various committees, and in rearranging committee memberships. Senators Williams, Hulanski and Miller will be selecting a set of rules on which the session will proceed.

FIRST MOTION.

The first motion in the senate's session was made by Kuchner of Ogden, who as secretary of Saturday evening's session, read the list of ap-

pointments decided upon for senate offi-

cer. J. E. Carver of Ogden, the senate's chaplain, was on hand and opened the session with a brief prayer.

Samuel W. Jenkinson, who is to be the house's chaplain, performed a similar service for that body.

The business of calling the upper house to order was conducted by Senator H. Love, president of the senate. He made a brief speech expressing his appreciation at laying the gavel over to such a worthy man as Senator Gardner. Reviewing his work on the floor of the senate, the speaker said that Senator Gardner had always been conspicuous for his open heartedness and honesty and his avoidance of anything that was understood or less than fair to his fellow members.

President Gardner, in taking the chair, declared that his motto would be to let all the people of Utah a square deal. "This is all they have a right to expect. I feel safe in assuring them that they will obtain that, and no more."

ADMINISTRERS OATH OF OFFICE.

The ceremony of swearing in the senate's officials took up only a few minutes after President Gardner had received his official gavel. Calling upon those to arise, they were marched in with Captain Carter at their head, and seated in front of the president's chair. Clerk Justice Stroup of the supreme court then administered the oath after which the officers took their places at the bars, the committee tables, and in the aisle room.

To notify the house that the senate was in session Senator Williams, X. F. Smith and Badger were dispatched as a special committee. A few minutes later a committee was received from the house making a similar announcement on behalf of that body, and a joint committee was sent from the house and senate to the governor, whose members being Seely, Hulanski and Miller.

With the appointment of a rules committee and the granting of a leave of absence for tomorrow to Senator Hulanski, the day's business came to a quiet end.

A small gallery was present. Besides Senator H. Love, former Senator Holmgren was on hand to see the session open. An senator from Weiser, Holmgren had introduced many bills in line with the reform measures now common in the east, and he prepared a report as chairman of a committee on uniform legislation which will come before the present session recommending still more legisla-

tion along this line.

The former chaplain, Rev. P. A. Simpson, was present and shook hands with the leaders of both houses.

Of the senate four are stockmen, one a school teacher, six are business men, one is a lawyer, one is a contractor and builder, and two are farmers.

SQUARE DEAL TO ALL PROMISED BY SPEAKER

At the hands of the house clock and ex-Speaker H. B. Joseph of Ogden, the speaker's desk and called the house to order. All members attended the roll call with the exception of Representative Hansen of Buxton, who appeared little later, and Representatives Russell of Salt Lake,

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SELECT SPEAKER.

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Hill's photo.

Governor William Spry Preparing His Message to the Legislature.

"The House" Where Representatives and Senators Will Listen to Message.

Thompson were named. These gentlemen escorted Mr. Robinson to the platform.

Speaker Robinson was greeted with a hearty round of applause upon taking the chair. In a brief speech he outlined the policy to be pursued by him as speaker, saying he would try to give a square deal to every man. "In view of the sentiment on different subjects crystallizing among the people, this session promises to be a strenuous one," said Speaker Robinson, "and I hope every member on this floor will be big enough to do his duty, and let the consequence follow."

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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

Randall from the joint committee to wait upon the governor reported that they had accomplished their mission and that Governor Spry would be ready to address a joint assembly of the house and senate at 2 o'clock tomorrow.

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U. S. MARSHALSHIP

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Not Likely That the Question of Appointment Will be Taken Up For Some Weeks.

(Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., Jan. 11.—It is not likely that the question of the marshalship for Utah will be settled for several weeks, probably not before the first of February. Action of the court in making a temporary appointment makes it unnecessary for the Utah delegation to meet the author of a resolution of a suitable candidate.

Justice Frick then administered the oaths to the speaker, after which the officers of the house were sworn in.

A committee of three from the senate appeared with the information that the senate was in session and ready for business.

WITH THE LAWMAKERS.

The speaker's desk was tastily decorated with bunting, with two large flags, back of the chair draping, a life size bust portrait of Abraham Lincoln.

Among the prominent visitors at the house session this morning were Ex-Speaker Thomas Hull, former Representative John C. Frémont, Senator Parley P. Jensen, and others.

The lobby of the house was well filled with interested spectators during the opening exercises this morning. The two Democratic members of

SELECTION OF SEATS.

The first hitch in the proceedings came about in the selection of seats. The procedure followed in previous session, of giving the minority mem-



THE SENATE'S PRESIDENT AT HOME.

State Senator Henry Gardner who successfully emerged from the contest for the presidency of that body is one of the hardest working men of those who have helped to bring Utah up out of the sagebrush. With muscles that stand out on his arms like those of a mountain lion, there is no recess of Utah's remote canyons and crags with which he is unfamiliar. The son of a Utah pioneer, his problems have been always to break in new land, or cut new areas of trees. Building saw mills was a favorite occupation of his father. Selling them and then building another was his next favorite business, and in this way a "Gardner saw mill" became the pioneer mill of a dozen or more Utah communities.

The picture printed herewith was taken by a member of the "News" staff while on a trip last summer into the heights of the Spanish Fork mountains. Senator Gardner was found near the crest of the mountains superintending the work of preparing telephone poles for the government's power line to the Strawberry tunnel project. Gardner was first elected to the legislature in 1902, and has served through the fifth, sixth and seventh sessions.

He has been universally admired by his colleagues whose fellowship he has enjoyed to a full extent. His "horse sense" about the hard problems that the pioneer and settler have had to meet has won his support for many measures. Once he rose to the dignity of real orator, in maintaining the rights of farmers to water which they have used from creeks near their settlements.

Gardner in the last session was chairman of the agricultural and irrigation committee and of the committee on labor. He was also a member of the committees on appropriations and claims, forests and forestry, judiciary, mines and minerals, private corporations and insurance, public institutions, public printing and ways and means.

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cost of encampments has gone up to \$90,000 and \$100,000; but experience of late years shows all this is in actuality not so. In the interest of bad men, the firm whose design was accepted formerly was given the contract at their own price, and they also had the monopoly of the market. The committee, however, now, the committee buys the design outright, and lets the manufacture to the lowest bidder.

POLICE WATCHING SALOONS.

Coming of Cold Weather Drives Thugs To Low Dives of the City.

With the advent of colder weather the police are becoming more vigilant than ever in keeping a sharp lookout for holdups. At this season of the year there are usually a number of holdups and robberies and it is a wise citizen who will be on his guard for them.

The low dives dignified by the name "saloon" are harboring places for crooks of all kinds and since the police have raided one or two such places and run out of town a number of "vagabond" men, others have scattered and will no doubt be on the watch for a chance to rob lone pedestrians.

Every winter Salt Lake has its share of hold ups and it is to the saloons of the lower class that the thugs resort for protection and places of concealment.

VIGOROUS PLEA FOR THE RIGHTS OF WOMEN

Washington, Jan. 11.—Senator Owen Young, Contingent of Boston has presented to the senate a memorial for the enfranchisement of women, which contains some striking passages. He argues, for instance, "that as the first man could not by any possibility have formed the first family and thus established the first government without the aid and concurrence of the first woman, it follows as a logical conclusion that succeeding generations of men could not have formed succeeding families and thus established subsequent governments without her."

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COMMITTEE TO BE NAMED.

G. A. R. Encampment Plans Now Contemplate Expense of \$50,000.

The executive committee of 35 persons for the G. A. R. encampment will be announced this week, with Mayor Bradford as the head of the committee, and additional members to be appointed by the board of governors of the Commercial club. Col. Sterrett thinks the money to be raised for the encampment need not be \$50,000, but an "extra" amount may be dispensed with. The executive committee will consider ways and means for raising the \$50,000. The idea being that the legislature will appropriate \$25,000. In times past the

committee has forwarded the money to the state for the use of the legislature.

On the other hand, the committee has

been told that the legislature will not be able to appropriate the \$25,000.

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