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SHALLENBERGER INAUGURATED

(Continued from page one.)
 on constitutional amendments. This the secretary says he will do but when, he does not predict, as the work takes a long time. The real intention seems to be to put four Democratic judges on the supreme bench by Shallenberger appointment if possible and if the program fails in that particular to make a political issue for the next campaign.
 The vote on the state officers was canvassed and the result declared as is already familiar to the public.

Thursday morning was largely consumed in both senate and house with arrangement relating to the inaugural ceremonies to be held at 2 p. m. at which time the governor and state officers elected in November were to be formally inducted into office.
 At the hour named the senate and house met in joint session in Representative Hall. As many others as could find room to sit or stand had gathered there to witness the inauguration of a Democratic governor and in all probability one thousand persons were present, many of them relatives of the members. W. J. Bryan occupied a seat in the body of the

house and was an interested spectator. Governor Sheldon first read his message and during the reading he was frequently interrupted by applause. The message was some fourteen thousand words in length and occupied five minutes less than two hours in delivery.
 Following the Sheldon message Chief Justice Reese administered the oath of office to Mr. Shallenberger and then George L. Sheldon ceased to be Nebraska's governor and the signet of state authority had passed to Ashton C. Shallenberger, the first Democrat to receive that distinction in ten years. Governor Shallenberger immediately commenced the delivery of his inaugural address which he completed in thirty minutes. His inaugural was largely along the lines of his speeches in the recent campaign and presented nothing new. His antagonism to the primary law was the most apparent of the unexpected statements, he declaring for its serious amendment or else its repeal. The latter was most probably his real thought.
 In the evening a reception was held at the state house participated in by the incoming and retiring governor and their wives the state officers, supreme court, the staffs of the two governors and the ladies of all here listed. It was a brilliant affair attended by perhaps 4,000 people. Dancing was arranged for in the senate chamber and continued to a late hour.
 The House adjourned Thursday over to Monday. The Senate adjournment was to Friday afternoon but the session lasted less than ten minutes, then adjourning also to Monday afternoon.
 P. D. Glover of Westerville, was in the city on business Monday.
 H. E. Woodruff of Burr Oak, was in the city on business Saturday.

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CARRYING OUT THE BRYAN IDEA

SPEAKER POOL OVERRULED IN NEARLY ALL OF HIS WISHES.
TAYLOR OF CUSTER HEARD FROM
 Committees Are Appointed.—Taylor Says That County Option Is Not A Political Question And Members Should do as Pledged.

The "advisory" committee of 12 House members appointed to act with Speaker Pool in the appointment of the House Committees labored all of Friday night and into the afternoon of Saturday making the Committee assignments of the House. This is carrying out the Bryan idea that no one Democrat, even though he be the Speaker, be trusted to name the House committees. It was all done in private with locked doors and such part as is now public leaked out through talkative members. It is known that the contest was fierce, that Speaker Pool was overruled in most if not all of his wishes and that Douglas county was beaten to a pulp and received but little where she asked for much. The list of chairmen agreed upon will yet have to run the gauntlet of the Democratic caucus on Monday but approval is expected.

The chairman of the principle House committees as framed by the "advisory" committee are said to be as follows: Judiciary, Wilson of Polk; Ways and Means, Clark of Richardson; Banks and Banking, Graff of Cuming; Railroads, Henry of Holt; Public Lands and Bldgs., Kelley of Furnas; Claims, Snyder of Harlan; Cities and Towns, Thomas of Douglas; Revenue, Gates of Sarpy; Corporations, Taylor of Custer; Telegraph and Phone, Bowman of Nuckells; Engrossing and Enrolling, Taylor of Hitchcock; University and Normals; Gerdes of Richardson; Labor, Howard of Douglas; Soldiers Home, Nettleton of Clay; Privileges and Elections, Kuhl of Cedar; Agriculture, Schottiger of Washington; Roads and Bridges, Fries of Howard; Accounts, Groves of Lancaster; Penitentiary, Humphrey of Lancaster; Other Asylums, Broderick of Clay Militia, Lawrence of Dodge; Internal Improvements, Kraus of Douglas; Federal Relations, Brown of Sherman, Constitutional Amendments, Holmes of Douglas; Boundaries, Grieg of Platte. The knowing ones say that this list will be passed on by W. J. Bryan before it is presented to the House and that if it does not suit his ideas of "carrying out the Denver platform" it may yet be amended.

Governor Shallenberger's first official act after his inauguration was to sign a requisition for an Omaha man who is charged with embezzlement and who is held by the police of Wichita Kan.
 Representative Taylor of Custer has given his idea of the county option question by saying "County option is not a political question and members should vote on it as they pledged their constituents." As to the promises of the last democratic platform Mr. Taylor says they should be redeemed "as the people understand them."
 One of the last acts of Governor Sheldon's administration was the appointment of Mrs. W. A. Poynter, wife of a former Nebraska governor, on the board of the Home for the Friendless at Lincoln. He also appointed C. R. Sherman of Omaha a trustee of Deaf and Dumb school in that city and the Institute for the Blind at Nebraska City. Following the initiative of President Roosevelt, Governor Sheldon appointed a "Conservation Commission" to act with the National body of that name, selecting

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West Box Elder News.
 Mrs. Hautman and children left for their home in Illinois, last Saturday.

Mrs. Dewey is visiting with her daughter Mrs. Oscar Blevins.

Dwight N. Ford of Ansley was a business visitor in this neighborhood last week.

Peter Burton and J. B. Jones shipped a car load of cattle to Omaha the first of the week.

Osca Laborde is renewing acquaintances in this vicinity after an absence of about six years.

Melvin Ross, Chas Mason, Ray Hillery and Will Bowes husked corn for Dell Mason last week.

Emil Roper made a trip to Dunning this week to visit his brother Arthur and look up a location.

T. F. Kennedy had the misfortune of getting his wagon smashed up by his team running away the other day.

Hazel Wheeler and family are occupying the house vacated by C. B. Nicholas, and taking care of the place until the owner takes possession.

Legrand Mason has moved from the C. B. Nicholas ranch, into one of J. M. Downey's houses and will work for Mr. Downey this year.

Mrs. Vandike and son, Robert Churches from Michigan are visiting with the former's brothers George and Andrew Roper. Grandpa and grandma expect to return to Michigan with them.

A farewell party was given Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milt Horn, in honor of Mrs. Horn's brother James Mason and aunt, Mrs. Hautman who have been spending the the holidays with relatives and friends.

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