

House of Representatives' assistant sergeant at arms in Topeka, Kansas

This is a photograph showing assistant sergeant at arms in the Kansas State House of Representatives in Topeka, Kansas, after peace was made between the Populists and Republicans at the conclusion of the Populist War. The dispute began when both the Republican and Populist parties claimed victory in the Kansas House elections in 1892. A number of contests were still being disputed when the legislative session began in January 1893. The conflict between the parties reached a crisis when the Populists locked themselves in the House Hall. The Republicans used a sledgehammer to break down the doors to the hall. The governor requested support from the state militia. After a three-day standoff, Governor Lewelling was able to negotiate an agreement with the Republican speaker of the house, which amounted to a Populist surrender. The state Supreme Court ultimately ruled in favor of the Republicans.

Creator: Farrow, W. F.

Date: February 20, 1893

Callnumber: FK2.2 H.1893 *23

KSHS Identifier: DaRT ID: 24894

Item Identifier: 24894

www.kansasmemory.org/item/24894

KANSAS
HISTORICAL
SOCIETY

House of Representatives' assistant sergeant at arms in Topeka, Kansas

