

CONVICTS MAY WORK ON ROADS

SENATE PASSES BILL FOR EMPLOYING CONVICTS ON STATE HIGHWAYS—ALSO PASSES CONSIDERABLE TIME AND SOME SINISTER COMPLIMENTS.

Shortly after convening yesterday afternoon the senate resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the consideration of Senator Joseph's bill providing for the employment of convict labor under the direction of the state highway commission, in the construction of the state's highways, and after sitting for four solid hours—long enough to wear a hole in the seat of every senatorial pair of trousers present—it finally agreed and resolved itself back again and passed the measure.

Contrary to previous occasions when a measure of any consequence was up for consideration—that is in the eyes of the senators, and for illustration the resolution declaring Oregon's government the best in the world—there was no oratory expended, just talks; but there were plenty of them—the very atmosphere alive with them. There was no particular demand for them, but there was a flood of amendments, and nearly every senator had to have his say upon them; had to have his little say no matter whether there was any division of opinion or not; and no matter if a dozen who had spoken before him had expressed his views. Senator Barrett, of Umatilla, was among the first one to come to the bat and after three strikes had been counted on him, sat down; not to remain there, of course, but just to wait his turn and he arose again and again to speak on some amendment and finally when an agreement was reached and it looked as though the bill had been finished, he again gained the floor and asked to have added to it a new section. That demanded more talks and it began to appear that like Tennyson's brook they would go on forever; and maybe they would have, had not Senator Carson taken the

floor to talk on the measure for the first time. Senator Carson gave it as his opinion that the section was useless and that the senate was only killing time in discussing it. That settled it with the senators—the fact that it was useless and they were killing time—and they got down to business and as might be expected incorporated the section into the bill.

Provisions of Bill.
The bill in substance provides that all convicts, save those serving life sentences, and those necessary to do the work at the state prison, and those under contract by a stove manufacturing concern of Portland to manufacture stoves for it may be used in the construction of roads in the state. The counties must make application for them and the work is to be done under the direction of the state highway commission. The bill carries an appropriation of \$30,000 for the purchase of road machinery.

Trouble Over Contract.
Trouble was experienced at the outset over a contract existing between the state and the stove manufacturing concern at Portland. This contract was entered into under Governor Chamberlain's administration and extends over a period of 10 years. Senator Albee did not desire to abrogate the contract and wanted the bill amended so as to except it from the operation of the act. Senators Sinnott and Norton opposed it on the ground that it might give validity to the contract or enlarge its terms. A committee of lawyers was named to frame the amendment and after its submission, it was lost. At the tail end of the proceedings Senator Joseph and Abraham declared they would oppose the measure unless such an amendment was incorporated and the senate backed up and put it in the bill.

Joseph and Dimick Clash.
After this first section had been agreed upon one minor amendment after the other was incorporated with a little side talk on each until the section providing for the appropriation was reached and then Senator Joseph and Dimick clashed. Senator Dimick offered an amendment to reduce the \$50,000 appropriation to \$20,000. Judge Lionel Webster, who is the champion of the good road movement, then came in for a speech on the side and upon his conclusion Senator Joseph gained the floor. "I could not expect you," he began in addressing Senator Dimick, "to be in favor of an appropriation, as you have been against every one so far coming up

for consideration. I want to give this commission enough money so that it can go ahead and do business without being handicapped and let us not be spectacular and try to appear conservative; let us get down to business." That brought Dimick to his feet with the charge that Senator Joseph had favored every appropriation, which he admitted, and after the exchange of a few sharp retorts both took their seats and the senate went sedately on with its business by providing for an appropriation of \$30,000 for the purchase of road machinery.

Miller Wakes Them Up.
For the next few minutes the senate went into a Rip Van Winkle sleep and when Senator Selling, who had surrendered the chair to Senator Miller, moved to strike out section 11, it was carried by a solitary vote. Senator Barrett, of Umatilla, as usual, was on his feet with an amendment, but Senator Miller who had hurriedly put the motion advised him that it had failed. This section repealed all laws in conflict with the bill and it was desired to incorporate a saving clause in favor of the stove manufacturers at Portland who entered into their contract for the convict labor by virtue of a law and it was moved to reconsider. It carried and the clause was incorporated and an additional section annexed providing that hereafter the state should not enter into contracts to sell the labor of its convicts.

Killing Time Says Carson.
The bill now looked complete to all the senators but Senator Barrett, of Umatilla, who moved to have annexed an additional section providing that the responsibility of the superintendent of the state prison should cease as to convicts upon turning them over to the guards of the state highway commission. Some one also suggested that a penalty should be provided for allowing the criminal to escape and both thoughts were new and started a buzz of talk. Becoming finally disgusted Senator Carson arose to remark that no one could be held responsible in a financial way for the escape of a criminal and that the discussion of the section was but killing time and the section itself useless. It then went to a vote and was incorporated after which it was passed by the senate.

Other Bills Passed.
Senator Dimick's bill provided that the polls shall be kept open on primary day during the same hours as provided for general election day was passed.
A bill providing for the creation of a parole board was read the first time and so was a bill providing for the insertion of time tables in the newspapers by all railroad companies.
Highway Bill Passed.
The senate finally passed the Highway bill practically as it came from

the committee of the whole, which acted on it early in the week. It provides for a board of three commissioners and a road commissioner.

Notice to Construct Sidewalk.
To J. W. Cotner: In the name of the City of Salem, in Marion county, Oregon, you are hereby notified that the common council of the city of Salem, Oregon, deems it expedient that a new plank sidewalk, 5 feet in width, be constructed along the west side of North Fourth street, in the city of Salem, Oregon, and abutting upon and adjacent to the following described real property, to-wit:

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1-26-11t
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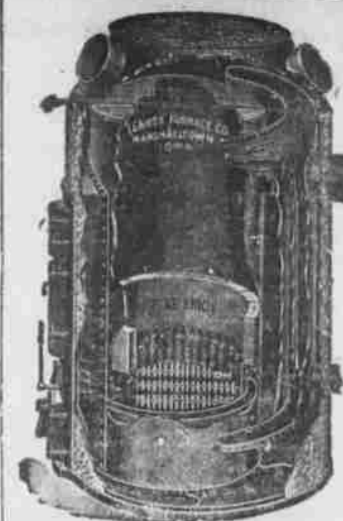
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