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LEGISLATURE'S SQUABBLE OVER GOVERNOR THOUGHT TO LIKE STERILIZATION BILL.

Two Amendments Passed by the Senate Today—Grange of the State Scores Victory in Passage of Different Tax Law—Wrangle Between House and Senate Settled Amicably, Temporarily at Least—Guarantee Bill Was Passed.

Salem, Feb. 18.—Senate today passed two amendments to the constitution providing for the segregation of state and county taxes, and providing for classifying property so to apply on different rates of taxation to the different classes. The amendments were asked for by the Grange, and will go to a vote of the people in 1910.

The house passed the senate bill requiring guarantee title corporations deposit of \$100,000 bond to do business in Oregon. The clash between the house and senate, which threatened to tie up all legislation, was adjusted temporarily this morning by the senate agreeing to accept all the house bills passed up to date.

The sterilization bill to destroy procreation in criminals and incurable insane and idiots has reached the governor, who will likely sign it.

This morning the senate again showed its teeth by indefinitely postponing eight house bills without debate, but it is believed fresh hostilities will break out this afternoon.

The house judiciary committee favorably reported the Bingham bill for publication of delinquent tax lists. That law was repealed two years ago.

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Joseph G. Cannon, who today celebrates the anniversary of the 35th Year in Congress.

SPURIOUS COIN MEN ARRESTED

CLEVER GANG FLOODED COAST CITIES WITH BOGUS MONEY

Tacoma, Feb. 18.—In the arrest today of C. A. Cook, Earl Jeffries, Lottie Jeffries and Pauline Cook, recently arrived from San Francisco, detectives believe they have the quartet that flooded the Pacific coast cities with counterfeit coins, from San Francisco to the Puget sound. Spurious \$5 and \$10 gold pieces were found in their possession.

The secret service men of the treasury department have been looking for

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LAST LINK IN ELECTRIC ROADS

EUGENE MCKENZIE LINE TO BE COMPLETED SOON.

Portland, Eugene and Eastern Railway Company Will Operate Street Car Line in Salem as it Does in Albany and Eugene—Completes Link That Means Gridiron of Electric Lines in Willamette Valley—The Springfield Line Finished in Thirty Days.

Eugene, Ore., Feb. 18.—The Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railway Co., operating street car lines in Albany and Eugene, has just commenced work on a similar system in Salem. It has announced a proposed line from Eugene up McKenzie Valley and the line down the Willamette valley from Eugene to Albany and Salem to be built immediately.

The work on the Eugene-Springfield line has been already resumed. It is expected to be completed within 30 days. This is the link in the Eugene-McKenzie line.

Fleet Nearing Home.

New York, Feb. 18.—The battleship fleet, with Rear Admiral Arnold's Welcome following a third squadron of Sperry's fleet, is rapidly approaching Cape Henry and Hampton Roads.

Dewey's Aide in Trouble.

Bremerton Navy Yard, Feb. 18.—Lieutenant Commander H. H. Caldwell, one of Dewey's aides in the battle of Manila, is under arrest here, and a courtmartial will be called to ascertain whether his ill health is due to excessive use of liquor. For gallantry at the Manila battle Caldwell was promoted 10 numbers.

Mrs. Lemp Gets Divorce.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 18.—Mrs. Wm. J. Lemp was granted a divorce today from W. J. Lemp, the millionaire brewer. The interlocutory decree awards her \$6000 yearly in alimony, and the custody of their son, William J., Jr.

TACOMA MINERS ARE BURIED ALIVE

Tacoma, Feb. 18.—John Alvin and James Ross, miners, were instantly killed and considerable damage to property done by an immense landslide of coal in the mine of the Car-

Deadlock Still Continues.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 18.—The legislative deadlock over the election of a United States senator, is still unbroken.

Four Killed by Explosion.

Collins, W. Va., Feb. 18.—Three men were killed and four fatally burned in an explosion of powder in the home of a Slavic miner here today.

RIDE ON TOBOGGAN EVERYBODY SHAKE

FIRE CREATES PANIC AMONG FACTORY EMPLOYEES.

Little Attention to Conventionalities by Panic-Stricken Employees—Many Were Bruised.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—Three hundred and fifty women and girls, panic-stricken, fell or rolled down stairs today when a fire started in the Kinky baby carriage factory. Scores were injured.

The loss will amount to \$200,000.

Grains, fruits and vegetables grown in Alaska will be a feature of the exhibit from the Northland at the A. Y. P. exposition next summer.

FIND LOOPHOLE FOR PHIL KNOX

MOVED TO RECONSIDER SALARY RAISING BILL.

Representative Dalzell of Pennsylvania Introduces Resolution That Would Right Matters in Knox Affair—Senator Could Accept Offered Portfolio if Dalzell's Resolution is Followed Out—Would Be No Raise for Secretaryship—If Reconsideration Plan is Adopted by House.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Representative Dalzell of Pennsylvania, today introduced a resolution in the house designed to straighten out the legal tangle preventing Senator P. C. Knox from becoming secretary of state through provision that Knox, while senator, voted for an increase of salary for the office to which Taft is anxious to appoint him.

Dalzell's resolution proposes that the house insist upon a disagreement with the senate's action in increasing the salaries of cabinet officials, and ask for further conference. It provides that the conferees be instructed, the senate concurring, to disagree on the portion of the bill increasing the salary of the secretary of state to \$12,000, with the result that the secretary of state's salary not be increased. Knox would then become eligible.

RETIRING BOARD ADJOURNS.

Tucker Testimony is Being Transcribed Following Retirement.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—The army retiring board today concluded its sessions. Stenographers are now transcribing the testimony, particularly that in the case of William Tucker, whose case has attracted universal attention on account of his wife's opposition to him.

Tucker wanted to be honorably retired from the army, but his wife and also his mother-in-law took opposition to this, bringing a great deal of scandal to the public's attention during the hearing.



Philander Chase Knox Yet Has a Chance to Accept Portfolio in Taft's Cabinet.

PLAN NATIONAL ROAD MEETING

TO BE FIRST OF ITS KIND AND HELD AT SEATTLE

Seattle, Feb. 18.—Samuel Hill, president of the Washington Good Roads association, announced today that Seattle will be the meeting place of the first American road congress ever assembled.

The meetings will begin July 4 and continue until July 8. The congress will be composed of two regularly accredited delegates from each state. The object is to discuss methods of road construction in vogue in this and other countries.

SHOOTS FAITHLESS WIFE MADE A MASON ON SIGHT

FOLLOWING MURDER, MAN BLOWS OWN BRAINS OUT.

Mad With Jealousy Over Wife's Desertion Los Angeles Man Goes to Seattle and Finds Her in Another Man's House—Shooting Takes Place in Kitchen.

Seattle, Feb. 18.—Dick Bennett of Los Angeles, shot and killed his wife and fired a bullet into his own brain at 6 o'clock this morning. He followed his wife, who deserted him in Los Angeles, to Seattle, and found her living with another man. This morning he entered the kitchen where she was preparing breakfast, and fired four shots at her, killing her instantly. Bennett died at the Wayside hospital.

LOCAL OPTION BILL PASSED AT OLYMPIA

MAKES EACH TOWN AND COUNTRY DISTRICTS, UNITS

Bill as Passed After Weeks of Warring is Victory for the Wets, as it Makes Precincts and Incorporated Towns Units, Rather than the County as a Whole.

Olympia, Feb. 18.—The senate by a vote of 24 to 18, passed its own local option bill this morning, and under suspension was immediately sent to the house. By a vote of 19 for to 23 against it was turned down. By motion of Ruth to call it back from the public morals committee the Mc-Masters local option bill which passed the house and to indefinitely postpone it. The bill passed by the senate is the judiciary measure, and is a substitute for Senator Nichol's local option bill. Presby offered an amendment providing prohibition in all county precincts, but this was defeated, 19 to 23.

The bill as passed makes each incorporated city or town a unit, and in the rural districts makes each precinct a unit. The local option question will be submitted to the voters, provided not less than 45 per cent of the voters at the last election petition for such submission. The bill provides a \$1000 license fee in wet districts.

Another nursery will be started in Polk county, near Dallas.

MADE A MASON ON SIGHT

FOUR HUNDRED WITNESS CEREMONY IN CINCINNATI.

President-Elect Taft Now in Cincinnati Where He Will Rest Up Prior to Going to Philadelphia—Will Remain at Latter Town Until His Inauguration.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 18.—President-elect Taft arrived here today from Washington and was greeted at the depot by a party of friends. He will remain here until Saturday night, when he will go to Philadelphia, where he will remain until his inauguration. The acceptance of Taft as a Mason on sight is scheduled to take place at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Five hundred invitations have been issued.



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