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Oregon Lawmakers' Work as Reviewed

Salem.—At the close of what is usually the final week of the legislative session complications came up which makes it difficult to tell just when final adjournment will be taken.

The understanding that virtually had been reached for the legislature to adjourn for five days after it had cleaned up its work and to come back for the sole purpose of considering the vetoed bills is presumed to be responsible for the action of the governor and his private secretary in absenting themselves from the executive offices.

Governor West dropped out of sight Saturday and received no bills from the legislative assembly, and it was said will receive none and will not appear at the state capitol until after the legislature has finally cleaned up every bill that is on the desks of the respective houses. This much became known from an authoritative source.

Governor is Criticized.

West was severely criticized Saturday by members of the senate and house, as well as by attaches and employes, whose salaries have been held up by his failure to sign the general appropriation bill.

The governor declared during the week that Saturday being a holiday, the senate and house had no right to remain in session, but lawyers in both branches of the legislature declare that it is a legislative day and that the legislature could work and be well within the law.

It was believed to be the plan of the governor, in order to circumvent the legislature in its determination to remain here until all vetoed bills are acted upon, to force receipt of all bills this week. This will make possible the holding of all bills in his office until Friday or Saturday of this week, as he has five days on each bill to veto or sign or send to the secretary of state without signature one way or the other.

Houses May be Swamped.

In event that the governor should hold in his office all of the bills yet to be passed by the legislature, together with those already passed, he could turn in such a bunch of bills late in the week that both houses would be literally swamped and in as bad a condition then as they have been at any time during the session. Should the governor do this, it is believed that the legislature will remain here and act upon all bills, no matter how long it takes. That is the sentiment of many members, who began to "get even" for their action in deciding to remain here another week.

Viewed from any standpoint, it is certain that a big fight is coming between the governor and the legislature.

Speaker Orders Arrest of Members.

Speaker McArthur Saturday threw the house into a fever of excitement by refusing permission to any member to leave for home, ordering the doors locked and instructing the sergeant-at-arms to go out and arrest every member who had left the session without permission.

The trouble started when it was discovered just before the 4 o'clock train pulled out for Portland that there was but a bare quorum present. Some of the members, who live too far away to be able to get home over Sunday, raised objections to remaining over unless there was to be a session of the house. The house adopted a resolution to the effect that any member who leaves the house without the permission of the speaker is to be fined \$5.

House Irritated by Senate.

Senate bills which have passed the house and in which senate members are particularly interested will be recalled by the house, taken into that body and laid upon the table until the senate agrees to stop slaughtering house bills, according to an agreement which is being formulated among a coterie of the house members.

Some of their pet bills have been put to sleep in the senate and they are incensed. In a spirit of retaliation for the wholesale slaughter of house bills in the senate, the house Saturday turned on the senate and began slaying bills from the upper house.

Novel Procedure in Bill Selection.

The senate indulged in a novel procedure when it agreed to allow each one of the 30 senators to select from the vast grist of house bills, which is before that body, one bill each, to be given preference and receive immediate action.

The procedure itself appeared to be

no more novel than some of the selections made. Some of the bills, which seemed to be of first import to the senators included such as those governing the running of stock at large or providing for expediting the payment of witness or juror fees.

1915 Fund is \$175,000.

Agreeing to the report of the conference committee and concurring in amendments made in the house, the senate passed the Panama-Pacific appropriation bill, and Oregon will appropriate for its share in the exposition \$175,000. The senate intended to stand pat on \$200,000 and the house on \$150,000, but from the very nature of the stubborn opposition from both sides it was apparent there could be no solution but a compromise.

Jury Duty Still Optional.

Women in Oregon do not have to do jury duty unless they wish to. The house refused to pass a bill amending the law so that women would be compelled to serve on a jury when summoned, the same as men.

A number of the members of the house expressed the belief that regular jury duty is not for a woman to perform and the measure therefore went down to defeat.

House Votes Home for Girls.

The bill for a state industrial home for girls and women went through the house and was passed by a vote of 39 to 2. The bill appropriates \$50,000 for the two-year term, which is to be used in establishing and maintaining the proposed home. Women and girls are to be sent there as a corrective. The bill was introduced in the senate and passed that branch without a dissenting vote.

Report Upholds Prison Policy.

Governor West was upheld as to his prison policy and the management of the state penitentiary was praised in a majority report filed with the house by Senators Hollis and Ragsdale and Representative Laughlin. No censure whatever was given, the nearest thing being that some prisoners were found who complained of having no underwear sufficient to their needs, and this condition, it was pointed out, was easily remedied.

Representatives Lewelling and Smith submitted a minority report, in which several severe charges were made as to the management of the prison, and Governor West was censured for his official actions in a number of instances. The house filed both reports.

General Appropriation Bill Passed.

Without making a single amendment, the senate passed the general appropriation bill for state offices and boards just as it went through the house.

Further expediting business, so far as appropriation bills are concerned, the senate passed all the University of Oregon and agricultural college bills, 11 in number, aggregating \$317,833 for the university and \$305,500 for the agricultural school, these sums being in addition to the annual continuing appropriations.

Scarcely had the bills been passed before it was announced that referendum petitions will be circulated to keep the schools from receiving the money the legislature has voted, except one bill for each institution carrying an additional maintenance fund of \$50,000 for each institution.

Eight Hour Bill Now Dead.

The minimum wage bill, which has now been signed by the governor, played an important part in the defeat of Lawrence's bill providing for an eight-hour working day for women, with a limit of 48 hours a week.

The committee returned three reports on this bill, one the majority report, being that it do not pass, signed by Kiddie, Fay and Wood. They reported back adversely on the ground that a minimum wage bill had already been signed by the governor and that this bill was unnecessary and uncalled for under the conditions.

Revised Assembly is Plan.

Under the provisions of a constitutional amendment which the legislature is asked to put on the ballot for the next general election in a resolution introduced in the house, the Oregon legislature, after 1916, would consist of 34 senators, one from each county, and 69 representatives.

The amendment proposes to change the whole system of legislative representation. It would place it on a proportional basis, with each county entitled to one senator and no more, and to at least one representative.

Irrigation Bill is Passed.

With only slight opposition, the senate passed the big \$450,000 appropriation bill for the Columbia Southern irrigation project in Crook county. This bill will enable the state to take hold of the work of reclaiming the lands under the original Carey pro-

There was scarcely any opposition. They were as he does over state banks and to have the same jurisdiction over them as the authority to inspect them under the name of the state bank examiner and giving the state bank examiner by the house regulating trust companies to be examined. The trust companies for productive farming. The installment plan after it has been taken back from the settlers in 10 years by the house. Under the bill the state will take over the entire burden of the state. Under the bill the state feel and failed have made quit claims. All of those who have tried the project, where private capital has failed.

Extra Session Will Convene April 1st

President-elect Wilson sent word Monday to Washington that the extra session of congress would be convened Tuesday, April 1. This extra session will find a number of tariff bills ready for its immediate consideration and other general policies mapped out for the new administration. The date received general approval in congress.

Washington-Lincoln Program at School

Last Friday afternoon the public school of Prineville gave a Washington-Lincoln program. Many parents and other visitors were present and all were much pleased with the high grade of work done.

The following program was given:

- Song, "Mount Vernon Bells"—Ten pupils of fifth grade.
- Pantomimic Washington Drill—Pupils of fourth grade.
- Vocal Duet—Golda Golf, Dale Elkins.
- Recitation—"Captain Mollie at Monmouth."
- Flag Song, "Washington"—Third grade.
- Short address, "Abraham Lincoln"—Mr. Myers. During this talk the "Gettysburg Address" was read by Mae Noland.
- Song, "Patriot's Pledge"—The school.

Music Recital at Methodist Church

On March 4th the music recital by Mrs. E. L. Coe's pupils, assisted by Mrs. C. S. Edwards, will be given in the M. E. church under the auspices of the Epworth League. A small admission of twenty-five cents for adults and fifteen cents for children under twelve will be charged. Proceeds, after expenses, to go to the Epworth League to help pay for the new piano lately installed. Hour 8 o'clock. The program follows:

- PART I.
- "La Carillon," four hands, Linguet—Frederick Rice and Dale Elkins.
- "The Spring Has Come," M. V. White—Miss Glaze.
- "Sweetheart," Powell—Miss Eliza both Thomas.
- "Primrose Polka"—Miss Hazel Yancey.
- "Tonight," Zardo—Miss Barnes.
- "On the Road to Ballclary," Kirkman—Mr. Franklin.
- "Bloom and Blossom," for hands.

The Prineville-Mitchell Road

Mr. Ross of the Forest Service is putting in some hard work on the Mitchell-Prineville wagon road.

It has been decided to put in a better road than was at first contemplated and for this reason the private citizens of Wheeler and Crook counties have been called upon to help swell the road fund to \$6000. This will permit of graveling the north slopes and otherwise making the highway a good winter road.

The people of Wheeler county have subscribed \$500 and over \$600 has thus far been pledged in Crook. And Mr. Ross is still on the job. As soon as he gets through with Prineville he will go to Fossil and try to have the county court of Wheeler double its subscription. Crook county has doubled its subscription provided the grade is kept down to a maximum of 7 per cent. This can be done, Mr. Ross says, by the use of the additional money.

The United States government has donated the use of two big mule teams for the work. They are expected here in a few days. The government has also provided tools, tents and camp equipment.

The Forest Area of the State

The statement sent out by the secretary of state in January and published by the Journal that one-third of the total area in Oregon was included in the forest reserves is misleading unless some further explanation is made. While the total area figures are correct it should be understood that a great deal of the land located within the boundaries of the national forest is patented. For instance, over 88,000 acres, or one-tenth of the total area of the Ochoco forest is privately owned. It should be remembered further that a great deal of this land is worthless on account of its high elevation and rocky surface.

It should also be taken into consideration that recent acts of congress provide that 25 per cent of the gross earnings from the forest reverts to the county where the money is earned, and in addition to this, 10 per cent of the balance is spent in the state where earned, for the construction and improvement of roads and trails.

None of the resources of the forests are withheld from their legitimate uses.

Over one million board feet of timber was obtained free by settlers last year from the Ochoco forest for use as fuel and other domestic purposes. Also 110,000 head of sheep and 11,000 cattle and horses are grazed on this forest every summer for a nominal fee, while many small areas are being fenced and used as pastures under permits.

All mature timber is for sale at reasonable prices and the cutting of this timber is so managed as to protect and improve the next crop, and watersheds of streams furnishing water for municipal purposes are given special protection.

Public Sale.

The Redmond Union Warehouse Co. will sell at auction at the warehouse at Redmond on Saturday, March 8th, at 10 o'clock p. m.: A Registered Jersey bull, good milk cows, stock cattle, registered Berkshire boar, Dorset and Poland China sows, horses, chickens, a potato digger, a Chalmers Detroit auto, wagons, plows, farming implements, cook stove, dishes and numerous other articles. Persons having any article to place on sale should list same with the Warehouse Manager at once. 2-27-13

Wanted.

Housekeeper to take charge of house for a bachelor and invalid mother on Grizzly mountain. Inquire Prineville Hotel. GROVER M. DELANO. 2-27

EXPERT CURLERS OF TWO NATIONS COMPETE FOR VALUABLE INTERNATIONAL TROPHY AT ST. PAUL BONSPIEL.



Famous Ships and their teams from Winnipeg, Duluth, Grand Rapids, Mich., St. Paul and Minneapolis, who competed for the big L. W. Hill Trophy.

The 20th Annual Bonselpiel of the Northwestern Curling Association opened at the Curling Club of St. Paul, January 14, with rinks from all over the country being represented. The St. Paul Club has twelve sheets of ice and many interesting

contests took place. The bonspiel met with great success.

The above picture shows the International Trophy, put up by Louis W. Hill, Chairman, Board of Directors, Great Northern Railway, which rinks from

United States won from Canada. The cup stands about four feet high, was the most eagerly contested for trophy at the bonspiel.

The Early Taxpayer Gets the Discount

Taxes for the current year are now payable at the sheriff's office. As an inducement to property owners to pay their taxes early, the law provides for a 3 per cent discount on all remittances received before March 15, provided the sum tendered is the full amount of the assessment on the particular piece of property charged to the individual. If the taxes are not paid on or before the first Monday in April they become delinquent and interest and penalties are added. The law provides, however, that the first half payment may be made before the first Monday in April, in which case the last half does not become delinquent until after the first Monday in October.

Get the prices of enamel kitchenware at Kamstra's Racket Store. 2-6

Notice.

All bills owing the Prineville Furniture Exchange must be paid in 30 days from Feb. 1, 1913, to Chas. F. Conard. 2-6-13

Recitation, "Johnny McGee"—Hobart Reams.

Recitation, "Our Flag"—Eula Noble.

Song and Drum Drill—First grade.

"Washington and the Cherry Tree"—Pupils of second grade.

"Washington's Life"—Hazel Yancey.

Song—Twelve pupils of fifth grade.

Addresses by Mrs. Horace P. Belknap and Rev. Prater on incidents appropriate to the occasion were enjoyed by all.

While every number was good and showed careful preparation by both teachers and pupils the exercises by the pupils of the first and the second grades deserve special mention.

Principal Myers and the teachers wish the parents and friends to know that they were much pleased with the large number present.

Jerseys for Sale.

High grade Jersey heifers, selected from the heaviest producing herds of the Willamette valley. Will freshen during the coming spring and summer. Phone or address L. B. Lafollett, Prineville, Or. 2-6

Holst—Misses Blanche and Bernice Shipp.

"The Cares of Yesterday," Metcalf Miss Golda Cleek.

"The Swallows," Cowen—Miss Hubbard.

"Tremolo," Rosslyn, Miss Leola Estes.

"An Open Secret," Woodman—Miss Beatrice Johnson.

"When My Dolly Grows to Be a Lady," Eldridge—Miss Bernice Shipp.

PART II.

"Theme From Bellini," violin, Dancha—Mrs. Chas. S. Edwards.

"Good-Bye Summer," Lynes—Miss Engdahl.

"Nearer, My God to Thee," Lewis—Miss Blanche Shipp.

"Oh, Tell Us Merry Birds," C. A. White—Misses Crooks and Barnes.

"In the Heart of the Mighty Deep," Vontela—Mr. Dudley.

Waltz, Englemann—Miss Byrl Davis.

"Jolly Dorkies," Bechter—Dale Elkins.

"Summer," Chamblade—Miss Crooks.

"After Sunset," Schnecker—Fredrick Rice.

"Perfect Day," Bond—Mrs. Kayler.

"Sleep, My Little One, Sleep," quartette, Wooler—Misses Crooks, Barnes, Messrs. Franklin, Dudley.

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