

OREGON CITY ENTERPRISE

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OREGON CITY, OREGON, FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 1909.

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FACTORY BILL PASSED

CAMPBELL AND DIMICK MAKE ELOQUENT APPEALS FOR PASSAGE OF BILL.

ELEVEN VOTE AGAINST

Representative Jones, of Clackamas, Presents Bill for Free Text Books Again This Session.

With 11 dissenting votes, members of the Clackamas County delegation in the House Monday afternoon succeeded in having passed their bill providing for an eight-hour workday in all manufacturing, mechanical, mercantile, other establishments operating continuously throughout the 24 hours. Labor was outgassed by several of the speakers supporting the bill, while those speaking against the bill argued that its provisions, if enforced, would work an abridgment of the right of contract.

Vote is 46 to 11.

Those voting against the bill which was passed by a vote of 46 to 11, were: Bedillion, Bones, Brattain, Buchanan, Corrigan, Eaton, Farrell, Meek, Muncy, Phillipot and Reynolds.

Campbell and Dimick, of the Clackamas delegation, made eloquent appeals for the passage of the bill which they declared, meant much for better and higher type of citizenship. They referred to the conditions that exist in the paper mills at Oregon City, where the men are obliged to work shifts of 10 hours one week and 13 or 14 the next. Hughes, Jones (Lincoln and Polk) and McKinney also endorsed the bill.

Buchanan Objects to Bill. Buchanan said he objected to the bill for the reason that it impaired the right of contract. He contended that if a man desired to work for more than ten hours a day he should be granted the privilege without subjecting his employer to arrest and a fine for violation of a law as was proposed. Reynolds refused to support the bill for the reason that it would seriously interfere with the operation of fruit-drying plants in the Fall of the year, when by reason of the short season, it is necessary to operate evaporators continuously in order to properly care for the fruit. Competent labor being scarce for that class of work, he said it would be impossible to find sufficient men to man three shifts each day with the result that the horticulturists would suffer a serious pecuniary loss each year.

Free School-Book Bill In. Free school books furnished by districts is the object of a bill by Representative Jones, of Clackamas. A similar bill was defeated in the last Legislature. The question is to be determined at the annual meeting of the board or by petition of not less than 50 school voters. A special tax is to be authorized for the free texts.

MUCH BUILDING AT GLADSTONE. Gladstone is still on the boom. Many handsome homes have been erected at that place during the past year that are a credit to any city. With the stores of Richard Freytag, P. G. Wells, Mr. Rauch, the meat market and the attractive building of the Christian church, Gladstone has quite a metropolitan appearance. P. G. Wells' store is the latest building that has been put up, and a good business is being built up by the manager. Mr. Wells has installed a full line of confectionery. He was recently appointed postmaster of Gladstone. Since installing the postoffice in this thriving place, it is found to be very convenient to the patrons.

Former Canby Man Returns to California. C. E. Zeek returned to his home in Sonoma County, California on Friday, expecting to arrive at his home on Tuesday of this week. Mr. Zeek has been visiting his father and friends at Canby for several weeks past. Mr. Zeek is at present deputy sheriff of Sonoma County, California, and is, and has been for the last six years a member of the school board of his school district. He is, and has been J. G. DeShazer, of Sandy, was transacting business in this city Tuesday.

for several years past, engaged in the dairy business, milking 20 odd cows, manufacturing both butter and cheese. His farm consists of 514 acres bordering on the ocean beach, his house being within a stone's throw of the ocean. Mr. Zeek's herd is of the finest Durham of Northern California. His brother Elmer, accompanied him home, and will assist him in the care of his stock and farm.

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