

THE LEGISLATURE

Lawmakers Sharpening Knives for Useless Measures Before Legislature.

GOVERNOR SENDS MESSAGE

Threatens to Veto Salary Increases for Officials During Incumbency.
Would Employ Convicts on Public Highways Under Direction of a Convict Labor Board—Sweeping Measure Aimed at Trusts—Five Vetoes Overruled—Scalp Bounty Bill Favored—Seaside Gets First Law.

Salem, Feb. 2.—The legislature entered the fourth week of its work Monday, after a rest of three days. The senate did not resume its sessions until 2 p. m. The business of the senate is in better condition than that of the house, which expects to hold protracted sessions during the concluding three weeks of the 40 days' session.

The adjournment from Friday until Monday was taken by the house over the protest of Speaker McArthur, who insisted that the members were shirking their duties.

Committees of both houses have settled down to steady work and the bills are coming back to the two houses of the legislature for third reading and final action. Members are getting their knives ready for a slaughter of numerous measures for which there is no need, or which appear to be injurious in their effect.

Many bills which have passed one house will fail in the other. Among the measures which are certain to wind up in the slaughter-pen is Bailey's bill to move the state fair to Portland.

If all bills carrying appropriations, creating new offices and increasing salaries become laws, the present session will go down in history as the most extravagant legislature Oregon ever had. There are bills for creation of no less than 200 new jobs, most of them at fat salaries, few of which the state and its subdivisions really need.

Governor Will Veto.

Governor Chamberlain indicated in a special message that he would veto all bills to increase salaries during the term of office of the present incumbents.

After receiving the special message of the governor upon the subject of salary bills, the senate at first adopted the policy of sending such bills to the committee on county and state officers, with instructions to insert a clause providing that the bills shall not take effect until the end of the terms of present incumbents.

Instead of resenting the warning issued by the governor, at least one-third of the combined members of house and senate are grateful for the attitude of the governor on the salary grab. Most of the bills which have been introduced to raise the salary of incumbents of county offices came at the demand of the officials, and not voluntarily from the members of the legislature. These members have been pounded on the back by the officials in their respective districts to have the salaries increased.

The warning message of the governor has a political effect, and members recognize that should they oppose the governor it would help him and injure themselves. While they do not care whether the governor makes capital, they don't want to lose the opportunity to make capital themselves.

Convict Work on Roads.

Employment of convicts on the public roads under the direction of a convict labor board, consisting of one member of the state highway commission from each of the two congressional districts, a state road engineer and the superintendent of the state penitentiary, is proposed in a bill introduced in the house by Representative Clemens. The bill provides that all such convicts shall be employed in this manner, with the exception only of those required around the penitentiary building and farm that is conducted therewith. It also repeals all laws which provide for contracting labor of convicts in any other way. The bill carries an appropriation of \$20,000.

Each county in the state, under the bill, will be permitted to secure such number of convicts for labor upon its public roads as in the judgment of the board it may be able properly to guard and employ. The county so employing convicts shall pay all expenses incident to taking and keeping the men from the time they are taken from the penitentiary until they are returned to that institution.

Optimists Are Fearful.

Senator Bailey's motion for an amendment to the constitution permitting the legislature to amend a city charter with the consent of a majority of the voters of a city is looked upon by the anti-saloon people as an effort to circumvent the local option law.

THE KEY OF TEBALDO

Curious Messenger of Death Invented by an Italian.

TRAGIC LEGEND OF VENICE.

Unique Weapon With Which the Man of Mystery and Murder Sought to Slay His Way to the Hand of the Woman He Loved.

The chronicles of Venice tell that in the earlier part of the seventeenth century a certain stranger, a man of dark and sinister aspect, arrived in the city. His name was Tebaldo. He appears to have been a man of purely passions, of great intellectual power, but one whose talents found their chief outlet in crime.

One day he observed a beautiful girl leaving church, attended in a manner which showed she belonged to a family of high degree. She was, in fact, the daughter of an ancient and noble house. He fell violently in love with her. Though far removed from him in station, his blind passion took no count of this fact, and he determined to sue for her hand.

There proved to be, however, a more insuperable obstacle to his suit. The girl was already betrothed to another, a young nobleman of almost equal rank and fortune. The knowledge did not deter Tebaldo, who boldly presented himself before the girl's parents in the capacity of a suitor for her hand. As might have been expected, he met with a curt and unceremonious rebuff.

The repulse rankled in his mind. Enraged beyond measure, he shut himself up in his own house and there secretly studied a means of revenge. Profoundly skilled in the mechanical arts, he allowed himself no rest until he had invented a most formidable and death dealing weapon. This was a large key, the handle of which was so constructed that it could be turned at will.

When it was thus turned a secret spring was disclosed, which, on being pressed, launched from the key head a fine needle or lancet. The latter was of such delicate construction that it penetrated the body of the victim and buried itself deep in the flesh without leaving any external trace.

The marriage of the betrothed couple was fixed to take place in the principal church in Venice on a certain day. Before the ceremony Tebaldo, cunningly disguised, stationed himself at the church door armed with his diabolical weapon. As the bridegroom was about to enter the building the concealed watcher pressed the spring and sent the deadly steel lancet into the breast of his victim. The young nobleman had no suspicion of injury at the moment. In the midst of the ceremony, however, he was seized with a sharp spasm of pain and sank fainting on the steps of the altar. He was hurriedly conveyed to his home, where the leading Venice physicians were summoned to attend him. In spite of their unremitting efforts he sank and died, nor were they able to discover the nature of the mysterious and fatal seizure.

With the removal of his rival, Tebaldo once more presented himself before the girl's parents and renewed his request for her hand. Their refusal to listen to him sealed their doom. In what manner he accomplished it is not known, but within a few days both had been done to death in the same sudden and mysterious fashion.

The exalted rank of the victims created a profound sensation, and when, on examination of the bodies, a fine steel instrument was found in the flesh terror became universal. The citizens feared for their lives. The utmost vigilance was exercised on the part of the authorities, but as yet no suspicion fell upon Tebaldo.

The bereaved girl retired to a convent, where she passed the first months of mourning in sorrowful seclusion. Tebaldo, however, sought her out in her retreat and begged to speak to her through the grating.

His dark, evil face had always been displeasing to her, but since the death of her betrothed and parents it had become repulsive. When, therefore, in the course of the interview he pressed her to fly with him he met with an instant and indignant refusal. Her scorn stung him to the quick. Beside himself with rage, he brought his deadly weapon once more into play and succeeded in wounding the girl through the grating, the obscurity of the place preventing his action from being observed.

On her return to her room the girl felt a sharp pain in her breast. Examination of the spot showed that it was dotted with a single drop of blood. Physicians were hastily summoned. Taught by past experience, they waited no time in vain conjecture, but cut into the flesh and extracted the slender steel, thus saving the girl's life.

The dastardly attempt occasioned a public outcry. The visit of Tebaldo to the convent became known and caused suspicion to turn upon him. The emissaries of the law descended suddenly upon him, his house was searched, and there the abominable invention was discovered. Swift justice followed, and he ended his days upon the scaffold.

The key is still preserved in the arsenal at Venice.—Chambers' Journal.

Lovers' Quarrel.
 Nell—a lovers' quarrel always reminds me of a crazy quilt. Belle-How's that? Nell—Always patched up.—Philadelphia Record.

Fortune is ever seen accompanying industry.—Goldsmith.

SPRINGWATER.

Mrs. Lewellen has gone on a visit to Eastern Oregon.
 The Saturday baseball team will reorganize in the near future.
 J. Coyne drove two beef steers to Oregon City Tuesday. An Estacada butcher was up to look at them, but he would not buy them because they were too large, and he was afraid they would spoil before he could dispose of them. How is that for a home market?

The evangelistic meetings conducted by Miss Jamison and Miss Howard, are being well attended.
 Don't forget the Grange, Saturday, the 13th.

MILWAUKEE

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Snyder, on Saturday, January 30, a son.

TRAGIC LEGEND OF VENICE.

Those who have news for the Milwaukee department of the Enterprise should either mail it to the Milwaukee Editor of the Enterprise at Oregon City or leave it at the real estate and insurance office of A. H. Dowling in Milwaukee, or with Justice of the Peace Kelso.

The overall factory began operations about a week ago and have already made a shipment of these articles. E. A. Glathill, owner of the plant, has installed three machines and as soon as the business will permit he expects to put in a number of others.

The dance given by the Milwaukee Suburban Club Saturday evening, January 30, proved a great success socially. About 50 couples were present and all report having a very fine time. The best music that could be secured was had. The proceeds of the next dance which will be given by the club Saturday evening, February 13, will be donated to Phil Baker, a member of the Milwaukee Volunteer Fire Department, who is sick at the Sellwood hospital. Stiles' Orchestra will furnish the music of the evening. Dancing will begin at 8:30 sharp.

At the regular meeting of the M. V. F. D., Monday evening, February 1, the members of the organization presented Merl Lakin, ex-chief, for his services as chief during the last two years, a badge. They all appreciated the way in which Mr. Lakin attended his duties, while holding that office.

The Hawley Pulp & Paper mill was compelled to shut down for two days this week owing to the shortage of cars. They expect to be running in full blast by the last of the week.

Dr. Dewey, from Washington, D. C., has opened up an office in the rooms over the new State bank in the postoffice building.
 Dr. and Mrs. Towney, of Portland, arrived this week and have secured housekeeping rooms in T. Localer's residence. Dr. Towney has his office in Mrs. Mullin's rooming house.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Weller on Thursday, January 28, a daughter.
 On Friday afternoon of last week, E. T. Elmer, of the Milwaukee Mercantile Co., had the misfortune of losing a team of horses by drowning. The team was hitched to a wagon load of goods in East Portland and while the driver was away walked to Taylor street between Ninth and Tenth streets, where they fell into Hawthorne lake. The loss to Mr. Elmer is somewhere in the neighborhood of \$600.

Mrs. George Wisnager has just returned from Hood River, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Bell.
 Bert Preston and family have moved into the Mrs. Solomon's cottage on Monroe street.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Lehman a 12-pound girl.
 Mr. and Mrs. Chris Simmons, formerly of Milwaukee, and now of Tip-top, Indiana, are contemplating returning to this city in the near future.
 The Minstrel Floral Club will give an entertainment Saturday evening, February 6, at 8 o'clock in the City Hall. A good programme will be rendered by the club, who are assisted by Miss Lucia Cornell, Come and enjoy the fun. Admission, adults 25c; children under 12 years of age, 10c.

CHOO! GIRLS PLAY BASKETBALL

Oregon City Band Donates Music For Evening.

An interesting basketball game will be played at the Riverbank rink on Friday evening, February 5, when the girls' basketball teams of the Barclay High School and of the Eastham School will line up, the proceeds of which will go toward the public schools. This is the first basketball game that has been played in this city for three years, and it is probable that a full house will greet the young people on that night. The Oregon City band has kindly donated its services for the occasion, which will tend to enliven things. Professor Robert Goetz will manage the Barclay team, and the Eastham team is to be managed by Professor H. A. Hills. Both of these men have had experience in managing basketball teams, and it is an assured fact they have taken an interest in their team's work to make it one of the most exciting basketball games ever played in this city.

The lineup is as follows: Barclay High School—Miss Ruby Francis, captain and center; Miss Pearl Francis, left forward; Miss Ethel Jefferson, right forward; Miss Lillian Gillett, right guard. Substitutes, Miss Cora Doubit, Miss Effie Jefferson, Miss Eva Aldredge. Eastham School—Miss Martha Myers, captain and center; Miss Marjorie Owenby, left forward; Miss Maud Farr, right guard; Miss Clara Fields, right forward; Miss Jennie Schatz, left guard. Substitutes, Miss Edna Holman, Miss Nora Tolban, and Miss Olive Flagler.

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Milwaukee-Northwestern Clackamas

Milwaukee School Notes.

Ellen Jackson has been absent this week on account of a sore arm. Vaccination being the cause.
 Edna Atwood has been absent for over two weeks.
 Owen Walsh has been absent this week owing to the death of his mother.
 Astel Hall fainted in the assembly and had to be sent home.
 Mrs. Phillips visited Miss Ella Cass to last week.
 Ed Roberts was a visitor of the eighth and ninth grades.
 "What do you know about slang?" Ask Adam.
 Ask Clayton if he can give the exact definition of a "joint plain." Answer will be in next week's issue of this paper.
 We wonder if Harry will get over his mad spell?
 "Hearts for Sale" apply to Mrs. Ebert's room.
 Arthur Goff is home on account of sickness.
 Clifford Traiz tried to break his nose.
 Edith Stockton spelled down the third grade in Miss Niles' room.
 Edith Roberts was a visitor of the eighth and ninth grades Wednesday.
 Mrs. Hall is sick at her home in Milwaukee Heights.
 Let Dowling sell your property.

OAK GROVE.
 The measles have had a hold on the children in our school and also a number of the parents. We are glad to say that no serious cases have been reported.
 King Bros., the enterprising butchers of Oak Grove, have just put up a sign in front of their store. If their sign covers yours, nail your sign to the telephone pole.
 The McRoberts building is rapidly growing into shape and will be an ornament at the head of Center street when it is completed.
 It is reported that the people of Oak Grove are to have a newspaper of their own. The first issue of this paper will come out Saturday, February 6.
 Dr. Dewey, of Milwaukee, was in our midst, making his first visit to attend Mr. Buck's child. We have not yet learned the nature of the illness, but have been informed that it is not the measles.
 The Oak Grove Junior Baseball team will give a basket social and dance, Saturday evening, February 6. Admission free, which includes the dance. We ask everybody to attend so that the boys can purchase new uniforms, which will be a credit to any community. All ladies are requested to bring baskets, which will be sold to the highest bidder.
 Real estate business is still on the move. Inquiries every few days in that line.
 We hope that the Improvement Association will urge the building of sidewalks as proposed some time ago. They encourage the prospective buyer and upbuild a community.
 The Headley boys have contracted the cutting of a thousand cords of wood for Judge Munley on his tract east of Oak Grove.
 Owing to the measles there has been a great falling off in attendance in our school, which gives the teachers a relief for a few days of which they are deserving.
 Roy Gilbert has returned from a visit among friends and relatives in Portland.
 Mrs. James McCall, of Albany, is visiting her sister, Miss Lucy Walte.
 Miss Bertha Bunnell has accepted a position with the Oak Grove Telephone company as relief operator.

JENNINGS LODGE.
 Mrs. Hampton and son Jack great Wednesday of last week with Mrs. Allen Brown.

Mr. Lloyd Rice took a picture of the school and pupils on last Thursday.
 Mrs. George Morse entertained the Ladies' Club Thursday afternoon. At the business meeting it was decided to hold a Lincoln memorial and also to observe the semi-centennial of Oregon on the evening of February 12th. Mesdames Brown, Emmons, Spoons, Spooner and Roberts were a committee to furnish the entertainment for the evening.
 A half hour was then devoted to the literary work. An original poem by Mrs. Flora D. Beckner was given which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Mrs. Beckner is a clever writer and we are in hopes she will favor us again. Mrs. Hugh Roberts gave a paper on "Thoughts for the New Year." And Reginald Ross recited "Old Songs Which Come to Me in Dreams," and responded to an encore. Reginald has a remarkable memory for one of his years and pleased his hearers very much. After the programme, delicious refreshments were served to twenty-one. The house decorations were Parma violets and carnations, the latter used in honor of McKinley, as January 29th has been set aside in some states as Carnation Day. Mrs. Ross and Mrs. Hart were the guests of honor.
 Mesdames H. H. Emmons and Fred Terry spent Friday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Hurley, of Bixley, previous to Mrs. Hurley's departure for California, where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Letroy and family.
 Miss Lella Brown, of Detroit Michigan, came on Monday to visit her brother, Mr. Allen Brown and family. She was accompanied out to the Lodge by Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Brown, of Portland.
 Mrs. Rice has returned from a visit to Molalla. She was accompanied home by her sister, Mrs. Harkee and son, of that place.
 Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson of Portland, spent Sunday at the G. D. Boardman home.
 Mrs. Post and Miss Nellie have returned to their home in Prineville, Oregon.
 The car load of lumber has arrived and work on the new sidewalk began on Monday. The walk will extend from the station to the Ross property and will fill a long felt want.
 Donald Holden has returned to his home in Sellwood, after a pleasant visit with his grandfather, Mr. L. Wilcox.
 Harry Panton has just completed a well for Mr. Charles Betz, the nursery man, of Melrum.
 The committee who is to make arrangements for the Lincoln memorial will meet at the home of Mrs. Beckner on Thursday, February 4th. They already have secured some very fine talent for the evening. The program will be held at the school house and the small admission of ten cents will be charged. A cordial invitation is extended to all.
 Bert Boardman is nursing a very painful felon on his thumb at this writing.
 George Morse delivered some thoroughbred Plymouth Rock chickens in Portland on Wednesday.
 Mrs. Thomas Spooner is spending the week in Portland with her sister, Mrs. Major Clarkson.
 Mr. Clark is building a cottage on the island on the west side of the river; he having leased the ground from Oregon City parties.
 Miss Ellen Hill, of Portland, is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Calvin Morse.
 Dr. Eddy, of Oregon City, made a business trip to our burg last week.
 Mrs. L. Wilcox and children will spend the remainder of the week with her sister, Mrs. Ricketts, of Portland.

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