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GRANGERS OBJECT TO STATE HIGHWAY

OREGON FARMERS WANT GOOD ROADS BUT NOT BUILT FOR AUTOS EXCLUSIVELY.

GILL BILL PROVIDES COUNTY ROADS

County Court Takes the Initiative But the Voters Have a Chance to Approve or Reject.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 27.—(Staff Correspondence.)—The Senate this afternoon passed the bill creating the State Highway Commission and, in committee of the whole, reported favorably on another measure providing for the working of convicts on the roads.

Opposed to them in the lower branch of the Legislature have appeared two bills proposing methods of highway construction which have the endorsement of the State Grange and the Farmers' Union of Eastern Oregon.

Another bill which will facilitate road construction in the several counties was offered by Representative Gill, of Hood River. It provides that on petition of 25 per cent of the legal voters of the county, the County Court shall call a special election to determine whether or not shall be issued for the construction of permanent roads petitioned for.

When the improvement of such roads shall be authorized at the special election, and these elections may be ordered by the County Court without the formality of a petition, the members of the County Court shall immediately communicate with the State Engineer who shall assume advisory supervision of the work.

Another bill calculated to facilitate the operation of the initiative and referendum appeared in the House today. It was introduced by Representative Abrams, of Marion.

Senator Dimick has won the first round in the fight for an eight-hour work day law for employees in all manufacturing plants running 22 hours out of every 24.

RECEIVE AN OVATION FROM EVERY SCHOOL

PRESIDENT TODD AND SUPERINTENDENT GARY SPEND ENJOYABLE WEEK WITH PATRONS.

The recent tour of the country schools by President Edward H. Todd and County Superintendent Gary, among the schools of Clackamas county, has been one long continued ovation.

There were 28 schools visited and President Todd spoke 25 times. Mr. Gary did not speak so often as the time was limited and where he has often an opportunity to talk to the people he refrained from doing so on this occasion.

Discussed Single Tax. The discussion of Single Tax at Mountain View Friday evening proved to be a very entertaining discussion.

Portland Traction Company Plans to Interest its Workmen. The Plan One Worked Out by President Josselyn—Men Subscribing for the Stock Eagerly.

Portland, Or., Jan. 28 (Spl.)—Light and Power Company will become stockholders of the company. This big concern, rated as a \$30,000,000 corporation, has decided to adopt a method of profit-sharing whereby men in the various departments of the company, including conductors and motormen, may become owners of blocks of stock.

Both houses today adopted resolutions calling for an investigation of the state insane asylum and its management. The Senate resolution provided for a joint committee consisting of three members from the House and two from the Senate.

SENATE SAYS YES TO HIGHWAY BILL

DIMICK OBJECTS TO GIVING FULL LEEWAY TO CONVICTS WHEN APPROPRIATION IS ASKED.

EASTERN OREGON OBJECTS TO BILL

Sparely Settled Section Not in Favor of County Road Building Under State Supervision.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 26.—(Spl.)—The Senate passed the bill providing for road building by highway commission today, the vote standing 16 to 14.

Dimick thought it a poor precedent for the Senate to attempt to tell its ways and means committee how much to incorporate into any bill.

UP-RIVER FISHERMEN LOSE FIRST FIGHT. Resolution to Name Joint Committee with Washington Passed in Senate. Substitute Report is Adopted. Sinnott, of The Dalles, Declares Real Purpose is Close Upper River and Says Interests are Irreconcilable.

Two Year Terms for Road Supervisors. Proposed Law to More Fully Organize for Road Building. At the general election in 1912 and every two years thereafter there shall be elected in each road district in this State a road supervisor who shall be a resident of said district, and who shall hold his office for two years, or until his successor shall have been elected and qualified.

No "Doctors" Need Apply. Senate Puts a Crimp in Aspirations of Quack Practitioners. SALEM, Or., Jan. 28.—(Staff Correspondence.)—The Senate this afternoon passed L. B. No. 22, by Locke, relating to the practice of medicine and prohibiting quacks from using "doctor" as a title.

Short Weights. To Be the Subject of Legislation at This Session. SALEM, Jan. 28.—(Spl.)—The legislature is being importuned to pass a measure that will properly punish merchants guilty of using short weights.

APPROPRIATION BILL CUT DOWN \$25,000

DIMICK OBJECTS TO SENATE INSTRUCTING ITS WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE.

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SALEM, Or., Jan. 26.—(Spl.)—The ways and means committee of the Senate reported an allowance of \$25,000 for the Astoria centennial and the Senate was set on fire by the report.

Laws Governing Canal. WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—A startling reminder of the greatness of the opening of the Panama Canal to traffic is afforded by the latest issue of the Canal Board just received here, which contains in the form of an appendix to the supplement, the laws governing navigation of the Panama Canal.

High School Laid Surprised. The High School pupils of the Gladstone school tendered a surprise to Frank Johnston, one of their number, on Saturday evening.

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TO REORGANIZE COMPANY SATURDAY

Drill Passes Through Eighteen Feet of Gas and Oil-Bearing Sand—Getting Ready to Dynamite.

STONE, Or., Jan. 26.—(Spl.)—Our oil well, in which we are all interested, is coming on slowly.

A gas well of reasonable pressure will prove more profitable at this time than oil. The multiplied indications of gas has had the effect of inspiring the stockholders.

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PORTLAND, Jan. 28.—(Spl.)—That a \$2,000,000 factory will soon be located in Portland, employing 500 men on the day it opens, was announced at the annual meeting of the Manufacturers' Association of the Northwest.

There was a great deal of interest in addresses at the dinner of the manufacturers, and employers' liability laws, freight matters, etc., were discussed.

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Three Measures Get Aye. SALEM, Or., Jan. 28.—(Staff Correspondence.)—The House today indefinitely postponed the following bills: Licensing mercantile agencies. Giving state jurisdiction over resorts where liquor is sold in quantities of not less than one gallon.

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Commissioners Mattoon and Blair Not Willing to Try New System Even in Face of Dimick's Avowed Statement.

The fine art of moulding public sentiment is detected in the circulation of petitions throughout Clackamas County asking the county court not to appoint a road superintendent.

Several of the supervisors concluded that the county court had forwarded the petitions, and it was then that County Judge Beale had his first intimation of the existence of the petitions, by receiving telephone inquiries from some of the supervisors, who wanted to know if the court desired the petitions circulated.

More than fifty members present. OREGON CITY FRUIT AND PRODUCE UNION HOLD BUSINESS SESSION AT COURT HOUSE. ANOTHER MEETING IN TWO WEEKS. Board of Directors Will Meet February 1, When Doors of Warehouse Are to Be Opened.

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COLUMBUS DAY HAS O. K. Legislature Declares October 12 Public But Not Legal Holiday. SALEM, Or., Jan. 30.—(Staff Correspondence.)—The House bill designating October 12 as Columbus Day passed the Senate this afternoon and will be a law after its approval by the Governor. The bill provides that October 12 shall be a public holiday, but not a legal holiday. There was no opposition.