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## 8-HOUR PROBE IS AIDED BY WORKERS

MILL EMPLOYEES TELL COMMITTEE THAT CONDITIONS ARE SATISFACTORY

BIG CROWD FROM HERE ATTENDS

Superintendent of Hawley Pulp & Paper Company Explains Long Shift—Directors to Consider It

HAWLEY, Jan. 24.—(Special)—More than 100 Oregon City residents came to Salem tonight to attend the public hearing given to the Senate committee on industries on the eight hour bill introduced by Senator Dimick, the same bill as that introduced by him two years ago. The Supreme Court ruled where it was first planned to hold the hearing proved inadequate and it was necessary to turn over the State Senate room to the visitors. H. T. McLean, manager of the Willamette Pulp & Paper Company, spoke briefly of the conditions at the mill, declaring that the men are in the best of health, that 11 and 12 hours, or even 12 hours of work is not hurting them. He stated that the pay is larger than the mills in Washington or British Columbia. The legislation which was discussed he said was in prospect for that year relative to the mills he stated had kept away from Oregon City the largest paper machine ever put on the Pacific Coast and 100 men from employment at Oregon City as a result, the machine having been located at Camas, Wash.

Men who are employed in the mills were called. James Nichols, who works on the grinders, explained his work. When questioned by members of the committee as to whether he would prefer to work eight hours or ten, he said:

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It is one of the features of the material that it comes by the gallon rather than the square foot, and can be molded into any form of plane-covering without stretching the frame. It has been tested for strength and weight, and is both lighter and stronger than the square foot than canvas. It is as smooth as glass, so that the element of friction, which is considerable in an aeroplane, is reduced to a negligible factor.

## 18-HOUR SHIFT TO BE ABANDONED

MILLS MAKE CONCESSIONS TO  
COMMITTEE CONSIDERING  
SHORTER HOURS

## DIMICK FIGHTS SUPERVISOR LAW

Schuebel Works to have County  
Judges Made Ex-Officio War-  
rens—Gill Introduces  
Bills

SALEM, Jan. 28. (Special)—Notation was received today from George Pusey, manager of the Hawley Pulp & Paper Company, of Oregon City, that the 18-hour shift in the mill will be abandoned as soon as the information came to Senator Smith of Coos and Curry Counties. He is chairman of the industries committee which Monday night heard the statements of various Oregon City persons in connection with the Dimick eight hour bill. Senator Smith was notified of the move on long distance telephone. Mr. Pusey when appearing before the committee was taken seriously to task by Chairman Smith for allowing the 18-hour shift for Sunday and Monday to continue in operation at the mills.

Smith stated that he would prefer an eight hour day should the compensation be the same, but under the rate of no more than an hour with his compensation at \$1.60 a day for an eight hour day, if the wages an hour remained the same, he would prefer present conditions.

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EFFORT IS MADE TO SUBSTITUTE  
REAMER'S MEASURE IN  
HOUSE

## CIRCUIT JUDGES TO GET \$4,000

Bill Giving County Courts Right to  
Tax Bicycles Passes—Weather  
Service Law May be  
Rejected

SALEM, Jan. 27.—(Special)—That a strong effort will be made to substitute Reamer's county road bill for the Grange road bill which was passed by the House Saturday, was made apparent today when just before adjournment, the House on the motion of Representative Reamer reconsidered its action with relation to the Grange bill and referred it to the committee on roads and highways.

Back of the Grange bill is that organization, backed by a number of other organizations, and it went through the House Saturday with a good majority, and over the opposition of those favoring the Reamer bill. The advocates of the latter measure, however, today were able to bring about a reconsideration, and they will make an effort to either substitute the Reamer bill or else attack the Grange bill the salient features of the other measure. This will likely be opposed by the Grange, and it is to be expected.

The investigation promises to take on a wide range, as the personnel of the committee would indicate. Carson is neutral, Joseph is in the lead, and the bill introduced by the Grange, and rejected by the committee on roads and highways.

The House passed seven bills and referred one. Three of the bills, Nos. Ch. 81, 200 and 201, repeal old statutes which for years have been dead letters. The first repeals a law providing for a State Weather Service, the second a law giving county courts the right to tax bicycles to establish and maintain bicycle paths and the third, an old law giving each county the right to establish a tuberculosis sanatorium.

The other bills passed were H. B. Nos. Ch. 82, 156 and 157. The first named abrogates the statutory requirements for private seals in the execution of conveyances, and makes the notary public seal a public seal; the second makes the pay of Circuit Judges \$4,000 a year; the third provides a compensation of \$1.50 a day for witnesses detained in jail in criminal cases, and the last amends the laws relating to the altering and vacating of roads.

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