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BONDING ACT IS HELD IN BALANCE

SENATE REFUSES TO CONCUR IN AMENDMENTS OF LOWER HOUSE

KELLNER CAUSES GREAT WRANGLE

Senator Dimick Disappointed When Report on Schuebel's Ten Hour Bill is not Made

SALEM, Feb. 13.—(Special).—The Legislature is tonight as far as ever away from a county bonding act, for the Senate today refused to concur in the House amendments to the large bill, and insisted upon the appointment of a special joint committee to endeavor to reach a compromise on the measure. Senators Burgess, Farrell and Butler and Representatives Upton, Forbes and Reams will get together to try to reach a compromise.

The whole fight in the Senate was over the amendment inserted by Senator Kellner prohibiting exclusive bids for patented paving processes. This was stricken out in the House after a hard fight several days ago. It took a still harder fight in the House today to decide on the appointment of the committee and the refusal to concur in the amendment.

With hundreds of bills in committee and more than one hundred ready for third reading, the House tonight held its first night session. Even with a session every night, it now seems virtually impossible that even the more important legislation can be rushed through before adjournment. The biennial Rogue River fish fight occupied most of the afternoon in the House. The Josephine County men failed to get the river opened to commercial fishing for any very long period.

The Senate did not get past the third reading of bills today and the Industries Committee's report on the ten-hour bill did not come up. Senator Dimick was primed for the fight all day, but was disappointed.

In order to get through with some of its congested business, however, the Senate will undoubtedly pass a bunch of the bills tomorrow morning and take up the three conflicting reports of the committee. Representative Schuebel, in the House, was one of the strongest supporters of the superior court system advocated by Laurette of Portland. The two bills providing for the change in the judicial system passed the lower house by a large majority.

1 BILL A DAY, IS RECORD AT SALEM

SALEM, Or., Feb. 13.—Thirty-one bills have been passed by both houses and sent to the governor in the first 31 days of the session—just a bill a day—out of 939 bills introduced. Such is the extraordinary record made up to today by the 93 gentlemen who comprise the Oregon Legislature.

Never before at any Legislative Assembly in Oregon have so many bills been introduced and so few of them enacted into laws after 31 days of legislative endeavor.

Not one appropriation measure of any consequence is included in these 31 bills. And this in spite of the fact that there is nearly \$9,000,000 in appropriation requests, as Governor West pointed out in his message telling the Legislature to get down to business yesterday, that must be disposed of somehow before adjournment. Including today, there are just five more working days to do this in.

In fact, until last Tuesday, when the \$400,000 Deschutes survey bill was passed in the House, no appropriation measure carrying more than \$5,000 or \$10,000 or so had been passed by either house. Yesterday the House passed the \$500,000 Columbia Southern reclamation project appropriation. That is as far as it has gone in 31 days.

More than this, only four of the 31 measures passed have been measures of real constructive importance. The four are the Malarkey minimum wage law, the widow's pension law, the law increasing salaries of all circuit judges to \$4,000 and the sterilization law.

The Senate has been moving along and keeping pretty well abreast of its work, but in the House, where the organization has been steam-rolling this and steam-rolling that, with the idea principally of putting the governor in the hole, work has piled up to a terrific extent.

It has reached such a pass now that despatching of accomplishing anything in the nine remaining days the House leaders are advocating a resolution to continue the session for 40 working days or until March 1, thus adding an additional week.

Warden Scores Salary Fund.

STATE CAPITAL, Salem, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special).—State Game Warden Fay threw a surprise into the Ways and Means Committee when he declared that he does not desire to receive as he has not desired to receive the usual biennial appropriation of \$24,000 for salaries and expenses of the Game Warden. This means that the Warden's office will be entirely self supporting.

GOVERNOR WEST AND REPORTER HAVE FIGHT

SALEM, Feb. 14.—(Special).—Governor West and Frank Perkins, a reporter of a Portland evening paper, came to blows in the state house tonight, and physical injury to one or the other was averted only by the intervention of several legislators. Although the men grappled and went to the floor fighting like wildcats, neither was injured when bystanders pulled them apart. Antagonism between the two has existed for some time because of articles in the newspaper which is a political enemy of the chief executive. Perkins had just entered the building and stopped to talk to Senator Dean of Eugene. The Governor came out of an office, and, hearing something the reporter said, asked if the remark was addressed to him. The reporter answered in the negative, and before the bystanders knew it the two were at each other's throats, cursing, kicking and striking. They went to the floor, the chief executive on top. Then friends pulled them apart and kept them at a safe distance. The Governor would make no statement tonight.

FISH MEASURE IS PASSED BY HOUSE

BILL TAKES FROM COMMISSION AUTHORITY AT OREGON CITY

ACT WILL REACH SENATE IN TIME

House Approves Measure Providing Tax of One Twentieth of Mill to Support County Fairs

SALEM, Feb. 14.—(Special).—Schuebel's bill taking from the Fish and Game Commission authority over fishing at the Willamette Falls passed the House after a hard fight today by a bare majority. As the Clackamas representative described it, it was a fight between the commercial fishermen of Oregon City and the Portland Rod and Gun Club.

For the purpose of amending the bill the House went into committee of the whole, and Olsen of Portland offered an amendment to strike out the words "North of the Falls on the Willamette, and West of the Cascade Locks on the Columbia." In other words, he wanted to pull the teeth out of the bill.

On final roll call the Schuebel bill received 34 votes and will get into the Senate in time. That body has refused to accept any House bills sent to it later than midnight on Saturday. As a result a great many of the important bills will get only half way on their journey.

The bill providing for a tax levy of one twentieth of a mill to support county fairs passed the House with little opposition. It provides that any amount under \$10,000 left over from the fair may be used on the county roads.

The House has begun holding protracted night sessions and in all probability it will be after midnight when it adjourns each night until final adjournment.

SCHUEBEL'S TAX BILL IS DEFEATED

NAMES OF DELINQUENTS TO BE PUBLISHED AS HERETO.

NOTICES MUST BE MAILED, HOWEVER

Determined Effort is Made to Have House Remain in Session Until March

SALEM, Feb. 15.—(Special).—Representative Schuebel's bill to do away with the publication of delinquent tax lists was defeated in the House today. It was only recently that a bill passed the House providing that delinquent tax notices must be mailed in addition to being published in the newspapers.

Members of the House agreed to hold off the necessary appropriation bills for a few days, and pass some of the great mass of other bills now before them so the Senate will have before them its action in declaring that no House bills be passed after Friday night would be accepted. The Senate will have to accept the appropriation bills and in doing so cannot well refuse the other bills passed before.

Senator Westerlund, of Jackson, tonight introduced in the House a resolution that the Legislature remain in session until March 1. Representatives are about evenly divided on this, some still maintaining that on this work can be completed by next Saturday. There is no limit to the time the Legislature may remain in session but the members can draw no more than \$120 for the entire session.

10-HOUR BILL WINS IN BITTER FIGHT

AMENDMENT PROVIDING FOR SEVEN DAY'S WORK WEEKLY APPROVED

DIMICK IS SARCASTIC IN ATTACK

Governor, it is Believed, Will Sign Measure—Joseph Forced to Give His Support

SALEM, Feb. 14.—(Special).—Finding there was no chance to have his favorite report of the Schuebel ten-hour bill adopted, Senator Dimick put his shoulder behind the Smith amendment and succeeded after a hard fight in having it adopted in place of the majority report. The measure now goes on third reading with nineteen votes expressed in its favor in the adoption of the Smith report. The Smith amendment provides for a ten-hour day seven days in the week. For more than ten hours double time must be paid. The fight in the Senate occupied most of the morning. First the Dimick report was killed by a large majority. Then the Smith amendment was taken up and the Oregon City man threw all his forces behind that report. At times he grew bitter in his appeals to the Senators to support the substitute.

"Just imagine that you are legislating for dumb brutes," he cried. "If you were you would do this thing we ask in a minute with a clear conscience."

Joseph, of Portland, was one of the nineteen who voted with Dimick. He and Dimick have always been bitter enemies on the floor of the Senate. The Oregon City Senator, however, produced a copy of the progressive platform which declared in favor of an eight-hour day, and forced Joseph to agree with him.

To all intention the bill is now passed unless later developments influence the votes of some of the Senators. Nineteen of them have declared for the ten-hour day, and the votes should remain the same on final passage of the bill. Little doubt is entertained but the Governor will sign it.

\$200,000 GIVEN FOR FAIR EXHIBIT

SENATOR DIMICK FIGHTS FOR AN APPROPRIATION OF \$150,000

RESPONSIBILITY RESTS WITH WEST

Clackamas County Delegation Votes for "Bluesky" Law Which Protects Purchasers of Stock

SALEM, Feb. 15.—(Special).—After a hard fight by Dimick to cut the amount down to \$150,000 and by Joseph to pass it at \$200,000, the Senate this evening passed a bill appropriating \$200,000 for Oregon's exhibit at the San Francisco fair. Both Dimick and Joseph voted against the measure, the latter declaring he wanted to "disclaim any credit as author of the bill."

The bill as passed places most of the responsibility for spending the money on Governor West. Some objection was raised to this by two Democratic senators, but no change was made.

For the purpose of amending the bill, the Senate went into a committee of the whole and Dimick offered an amendment to cut the amount to \$250,000. This amount also failed, and a few moments after Dimick's amendment was killed the bill appropriating \$200,000 as the committee had reported it passed.

In the House the "Bluesky" went through this afternoon by a large majority. The entire Clackamas delegation was for it. This is in many ways the same bill that was defeated at the last session although this one carries no appropriation. It proposes to protect purchasers of stock and bonds from "wildcat" schemes the expenses of the corporation department to be paid out of the fees that the commission will be self-sustaining and probably yield profits to the state besides.

WILLIAM SCOTT ESTATE IS FILED FOR PROBATE

The estate of William Scott, of Milwaukie, was filed for probate Monday. Mr. Scott was a brother of Richard Scott, who died several years ago. His estate is valued at \$15,000. The county court is asked to name Thomas F. Ryan administrator.

MICHIGAN MAN LAUDS ANNIVERSARY EDITION

O. E. Freytag, Secretary of the Publicity Department of the Commercial Club has received the following:

Edwardsburg, Mich., The Commercial Club, Oregon City: I am enclosing five cents in stamps to pay postage on the Progress and Anniversary number of the Morning Enterprise.

I read with great pleasure every month the Oregon City Publicity. It seems like a breath from old Mt. Hood. I spent two years in Oregon, and I know what that means to an Eastern man. I expect to return to Oregon some day. I hope in the near future.

Many thanks for sending the "Publicity."

Yours truly,
WILLIAM E. CRAWFORD.

LEGISLATURE AIDS BIG UNIVERSITIES

\$728,000 IS APPROPRIATED BY THE HOUSE FOR TWO COLLEGES

SCHUEBEL TRIES TO CUT SUMMER BILL

Dimick's Eight-Hour Bill Reported by Committee, and Despite Fight, is Postponed

SALEM, Feb. 17.—(Special).—Appropriations aggregating \$728,000 for the two big state universities were passed in the House today, with a few members opposing each one. The test of the appropriations came on Schuebel's attempt to cut from \$30,000 to \$20,000 the bill providing for summer school and extension work at the University of Oregon. This failed and the recommendations of the Ways and Means Committee went through without a hitch on all the rest. The bill providing for a uniform system of public accounting was passed by a bare majority, after the duties of providing this system had been transferred from the shoulders of the Secretary of State to the Tax Commission.

Schuebel also opposed this. The House adopted a resolution submitting to the people a constitutional amendment to have county officers terms lengthened to four years. A clause prohibiting an official from serving more than eight out of twelve consecutive years was stricken out before the resolution was adopted.

It is predicted by those in a position to know that the session will hold over an extra week. The resolution for a lengthened session will undoubtedly be adopted by the House by a good majority, but the Senate is doubtful.

Although the Senate by resolution today confirmed its previous declaration that it would accept no more House bills, this is not taken seriously by most of the representatives. It is also said that one reason for the Legislators holding over an extra week is to take care of any vetoes the Governor might have to submit. An underground current of ill feeling exists in the House against "Steam Roller" methods, and it is not considered unlikely that an "outbreak" will occur within a few days. Charges of the "Organization" members having some of their own bills reported out of the committee first have already been made on the floor of the House. An attempt to break the back bone of the "Organization" will probably be made on a resolution submitted Saturday by Eaton of Eugene. This resolution, intended to facilitate handling appropriation bills, was sidetracked in the committee and considerable feeling has been manifested by this method.

Senator Dimick's eight-hour bill came out of the Industries Committee today with three reports, and was indefinitely postponed. Although some fight was made on this bill, it was generally recognized that since the passage of the ten-hour bill it would substitute itself for the eight-hour bill.

Major, Kiddle and Wood, with the majority report, recommended that the bill do not pass; Smith wanted to amend it and allow double time for overtime, and Dimick recommended that the bill pass as it stood. Exactly the same lineup as on the ten-hour bill. The bill was postponed by a large majority. The hardest fight of the day in the Senate occurred on the three reports of the three members of the special committee to investigate the Oregon Naval Militia. Senator Dimick, in accordance with his bill, recommended that the Naval Militia be kept but be taken out of the hands of the officers of the Oregon National Guards. Dimick's fight was perhaps the hottest of all. He scored the institution as a useless and wasteful burden on the taxpayers, and made a hard but futile attempt to have his report substituted for the others. The final vote killed his report and adopted Carson's. Militia be abolished; Senator Carson completely "whitewashed" it, recommending that it stand as it now is, and Joseph, in accordance with his bill, recommended that the Naval Militia be kept.

Joseph then moved to indefinitely postpone the Dimick bill to abolish the Naval Militia. This was done by a little larger vote, although Joseph's bill to take the Naval Militia out of the hands of the National Guard was also practically beaten by the same vote. Dimick said he would not retaliate by moving the indefinite postponement of that.

WAGE FIGHT IS WON BY THE MILLS

AMENDMENT ALLOWS THREE INSTEAD OF TWO HOURS OVERTIME

W. A. DIMICK MAKES GREAT FIGHT

Action Puts an End for at Least Year of Biggest Battle for Mill Workers

SALEM, Feb. 18.—(Special).—In spite of vigorous protests of Senator Dimick, the Senate today amended the ten-hour bill so that it will allow three instead of two hours overtime a day, for which time and a half instead of double time must be paid. The bill passed the Senate in this condition and will go to the House for that body to concur in the amendment. Inasmuch as the supporters of the bill realize this is the best they could do there is little doubt but the House will concur. The bill will then go to the Governor for his signature and no opposition is expected from that source.

Strenuous lobby work by the paper mill men has been done since the Schuebel ten hour bill came out of the committee last week on three reports. At that time the report accepted was by Chairman Smith, of the Industries Committee recommending that two hours overtime be allowed each day for which double time should be paid. Failing to have the bill adopted in its original form Senator Dimick at that time supported the Smith amendment and was instrumental in having the report adopted with nineteen votes in its favor.

Today the bill came up for final passage. Joseph moved to go into committee of the whole for the purpose of amending the bill. Dimick declared this was only an attempt on the part of the Portland man to kill the measure, and strenuously opposed the motion. He was overrudden, however, and Joseph's motion to change from double time to time and a half, and from two to three hours was carried.

It was explained that this latter change would, in the case of the Oregon City paper mills, only have the effect of allowing an eleven and a thirteen hour shift instead of two shifts of twelve hours each, on the grounds that this was an arrangement between employer and employee.

On final roll call seventeen senators voted in favor of the bill as amended. Nineteen had favored it on the adoption of the Smith report but Carson switched to the other side and Perkins was absent, leaving seventeen in favor of the bill.

If signed by the Governor this act will take effect in May of this year. This practically marks an end for this season at least, of the ten-hour fight. For every session in the past eight years some bills of this sort have been before the Legislature, but in every instance have failed. The burden of the fighting this year has been in the Senate. No great opposition was offered in the House when the Schuebel bill was passed, and the amendments in the Senate are regarded as the best compromise obtainable.

The eight-hour bill of Dimick's has been defeated in the Senate and today's action probably marks an end of the matter for this session.

Senator Dimick was today responsible for the defeat of a House bill creating the Board of Public Accountability and providing for certified public accountants. This had been defeated in the House, reconsidered and passed. Dimick opposed it on the grounds that it was intended to form a monopoly in the auditing business.

The expected break in the House organization came late Monday night when Eaton of Eugene favored Olson and Upton, members of the organization, for "steam roller" work in connection with one of his resolutions, and was shown again this morning when the House, in spite of the recommendations of the Public Lands Committee, refused to indefinitely postpone Representative Gill's bill to repeal the Thompson swamp land act. This latter act was swamped over the veto of the Governor early in the session. The Governor and Gill shortly afterward introduced a bill to repeal the law. Once before the Governor sent in a message "joking" the memories of the members of the bill. Yesterday he sent in another when the committee report was read. By a vote of 29 to 28 the House refused to postpone the bill. The members stood practically the same as in the Eaton fight the night before. The entire Clackamas County delegation hung together against the "Machine."

The House went into its night session this evening with the intention of clearing its own calendar before adjournment. It will probably be in session until early in the morning. Sometime during the night session the fight over the state printer's committee will report favorably on the Smith bill for a contract system of printing and report back without recommendation of the Abbott bill for a revision of rates.

The printers' flat salary law passed in 1911, which would have taken effect in 1915, was repealed in the House today.

STATE FAIR WILL START SEPTEMBER 29

The fifty-second annual Oregon State Fair will take place the week beginning with September 29, and ending October 4 this year. The dates recently announced after a meeting of the Fair Commission. This year's date was set in view of the fact that the hop picking would be completed at that time.

FOREST PLANS ARE TO BE OPPOSED

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 19.—The first attempt to place the Washington Legislature on record as opposed to the system of conducting the United States national forests will be made this week when a memorial, introduced in the Senate this morning asking the government to withdraw the national forests of Lewis County, is brought up for passage.

Behind this measure are the majority of the Representatives from the agricultural districts. The memorial, which is directed at Congress, sets forth that the forest reserves are a menace to the development of the agricultural territory of the West. Forest service officials are denounced bitterly.

A bill was introduced in the Senate this morning creating a State Highway Department to have control of all the highway work of the state.

A bill was passed by the Senate creating a Bureau of Farm Development to conduct experiments along scientific lines in the various counties. The president of the State College is made director of the bureau.

TEN-HOUR BILL IS NEAR DEFEAT

MEASURE CALLED BACK IN SENATE AND HARD FIGHT MADE AGAINST IT

ACT HAD BEEN SIGNED BY WEST

Dimick and Schuebel Play Shrewd Game in Protecting Measure —Farrell Loses Stubborn Battle

SALEM, Feb. 19.—(Special).—In an endeavor to whip Senator Dimick into line on a bill opposed by the organization members of that body today all but called back and defeated the Schuebel ten-hour bill. On the final vote on the motion of Senator Farrell to recall the measure from the House and "reconsider" it Dimick won out by 15 to 14. Rising to explain his vote, Dimick declared Farrell had said that Farrell's veto of the ten-hour bill cost him \$50,000 for the paper mills and they would take their business away from him. Farrell is a Portland commission man. He has been making a hard fight to defeat the Carkin bill which would put commission houses under the Public Utilities Commission. Senator Dimick declared it was an endeavor to gain his opposition to the Carkin bill that Farrell had tried to recall the ten-hour bill. This afternoon Farrell moved that the vote on the ten-hour bill be reconsidered. His and one more vote would have killed it. The motion was carried by a bare majority, and Dimick was defeated in the first round. It was then discovered that the bill had gone to the House for that body to concur in the Senate amendment and the vote on reconsideration was declared invalid. Then Farrell moved to have the bill recalled from the House. When his name was called out Dimick got in a word. Then he rose and made the sensational charge that Farrell had declared his vote on the ten-hour bill had cost him \$50,000 in business from the paper mills. In the last minute, Joseph, usually an enemy of Dimick on the floor, changed his vote to no and the bill was left to go its course.

Governor West, however, has now signed the bill. Getting wind of the fact that the Senate was trying to recall the measure, Schuebel took the bill to the Governor and it was signed even before the final vote on the recall had been announced. In case the Senate vote had carried it would have been invalid, for the two Oregon City men, working together, had been playing a successful game of hide and seek with the bill. Had Senator Farrell discovered that the bill had been taken from the House to the Governor's office it would have required a separate motion to recall it from there even if the chief executive had signed it. The Senate might have recalled it from the Secretary of State's office, but the bill's opponents did not know where it was and the bill is now safe, signed by the Governor, and no doubt will remain. But it will go into effect with the provision for time and a half for all over ten hours a day.

CALKINS ROAD BILL IS AGAIN BEATEN

SALEM, Or., Feb. 19.—Senate bill 217, by Calkins, which was reconsidered after being lost several days ago, and laid on the table, was again defeated today, after being attacked by several members, who said it would in certain circumstances permit grave injustice to be done. The bill empowered counties to improve roads by special assessment on adjacent property. It developed that persons with large tracts that would be benefited could not be taxed if their land did not lie directly on the roads.

SMITH QUITS AS COUNTY FAIR HEAD

FREYTAG ALSO RESIGNS AS MEMBER OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS

RIVAL ORGANIZATION SUGGESTED

Canby Declared to Have Too Large Representation—Lee Makes Denial of the Charge

Because of a disagreement among the stockholders and directors of the Clackamas County Fair Association a reorganization is necessary. J. W. Smith, who has been the head of the association for three years, was re-elected president at a meeting of the stockholders one week ago resigned at a special meeting of the board of directors Saturday afternoon. O. E. Freytag, who has been connected with the association for a number of years also resigned as a member of the board of directors. M. J. Lee, recently elected secretary, insists that the fair will be held as usual this year and that it will be bigger and better than ever before.

The men in resigning declared there had been too large a representation on the board from the Canby district. They insisted that the county should be more generally represented. Announcement also was made that many of the stockholders believed that too much influence in the management of the fair was exerted by certain horsemen. The directors instructed the secretary, M. J. Lee, to call a special meeting of the stockholders for March 8 at 11 o'clock in this city to fill vacancies.

It was determined to hold the fair this year September 24, 25, 26 and 27, the state fair being held immediately afterward. M. J. Lee, Secretary, said Saturday night that the exhibition would be one of the finest ever held. He said he was sorry that any trouble had occurred but insisted that everything would be satisfactorily adjusted.

"We have made arrangements for an aeroplane flight and for the installation of a wireless telegraph plant at the grounds," said Mr. Lee. "We are going to give the people the best exhibition and more for their money than has ever been given before. It is right that Canby should have the largest representation on the Board of Governors for the fair is held at Canby and meetings of the Governors can be held daily if necessary. There has not been and will not be discrimination against other parts of the county. The upper floor of the pavilion will hold juvenile exhibits. It is believed these exhibits will be of more benefit than the dances that have been held heretofore. Canby will attend to the policing of the grounds instead of paying men from the general fund. A premium list pocket edition will be issued.

The directors elected at the last meeting of the stockholders were J. W. Smith, Mackay, W. H. Bair, Canby, A. D. Grubb, Canby, O. E. Freytag, Gladstone, and O. J. Eby, Oregon City. Mr. Eby said Saturday night that it had been suggested that a new fair association be organized and that it obtain grounds on the route of the Clackamas Southern Railway in the vicinity of Beaver Creek. This location would be near the center of the county.

CLERKS TO BE GIVEN PAY FOR FULL TIME

SALEM, Or., Feb. 19.—Despite the frequent announcements of various members that if there shall be an adjourned session of the Legislature to consider any bills which the Governor may veto, the corps of clerks and stenographers will be cut down and the expense reduced to a minimum, it is now apparent that the members of the special committee on mileage and per diem, at least, have changed their minds in this regard. It is not likely that the members will turn down a committee report allowing attaches extra pay in such a case.

The report of the committee on mileage and per diem of Senators, the financial items of which are to be provided for in the big general appropriation bill, was made at noon today, immediately preceding recess. When asked as to the amounts to be paid attaches, members of the committee said this report is not ready, as "they will have to be paid for 150 days if we work them that long."

RISLEY GOES TO AUTO CONVENTION

Charles W. Risley, of Risley Station, started for Washington, D. C. Wednesday to attend a meeting of the National Automobile Association. He will be gone several months. The object of the meeting is to try to improve the roads of the country, and the roads of Oregon will be given special attention. Mr. Risley is firmly convinced that Clackamas County will benefit as a result of the meeting.