

WILSHIRE SAT UPON

Washington Reapportionment Bill Amended.

ACT OF REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

Pierce and King Counties Are Benefited by the Change—Democrats Met and Agreed to Oppose the Measure.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 18.—Senator Wilshire, chairman of the Senate reapportionment committee, was severely sat upon tonight in the Republican Senatorial caucus, that body resolving after a heated discussion to amend the measure...

After the caucus had agreed upon the matter, Senator Warburton, of Pierce, made a motion that the proceedings of the caucus be kept a secret from the newspaper men, and the motion carried...

The Democratic members of the House and Senate caucused tonight, together with a large number of visiting Democratic politicians. It was unanimously agreed to oppose the Wilshire-Jones reapportionment bill...

WOULD NOT LET RAILROADS TALK.

Discussion of Rate Bill. OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 18.—The Senate railroad committee at a meeting held this afternoon, decided not to recommend the holding of an informal joint session of the Legislature to be addressed by the attorneys for the railroad companies...

IN THE SENATE.

Columbia-Cape Flattery Seashore Declared a Public Highway. OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 18.—Two bills were passed by the Senate today, the effect of which will be, if they are ultimately enacted into laws, to make the entire seashore of the Columbia river, from the mouth of the Columbia River to Cape Flattery, a public highway forever...

IN THE HOUSE.

Bill to Prohibit Fishtraps and Wheels in Columbia River. OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 18.—In the House this afternoon a petition signed by the Commercial Club, of Fairhaven, asking that San Juan County be placed in a Senatorial district with the cities of Bellingham Bay was read and referred...

REFORMERS LOST TEST CASE.

Vancouver Jury Cleared Man Accused of Operating Slot Machine. VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 18.—The reform policy of Mayor Johnston has been thoroughly aired here yesterday and today. Yesterday a mass meeting called under the auspices of the Frances Willard Women's Christian Temperance...

tion, to discuss the question, was held at the Methodist Church. The attendance was composed largely of ladies. Mrs. Hildgen, president of the meeting, read an address in which she stated the object was to discuss the question: "Shall Our Laws Be Enforced?" She commended Mayor Johnston for the stand he had already taken in the direction of moral reform and expressed the hope that he would extend his influence and authority so as to include the enforcement of all the city laws for the suppression of existing evils...

Today the nickel-in-the-slot-machine matter was brought to a direct issue in the Justice court of the city, resulting in a decision directly opposed to the Mayor's policy. Hod, S. Allen, a saloon-keeper, was arrested this morning by City Marshal Newson, charged with operating a nickel-in-the-slot-machine in his place. A jury was called and a test case made, the defense relying chiefly on the argument that the strict enforcement of the anti-machine laws would include slot machines and social games, and other similar amusements...

The case attracted great interest and was a well-attended courtroom was crowded with spectators. The Democratic members of the House and Senate caucused tonight, together with a large number of visiting Democratic politicians...

THE MITCHELL DEAL.

those men who are supporting for United States Senator, who are interested in the case, and looking appealingly to the President, who declared that he was out of order. Joseph again took the floor to say that it is not a question of whether five men, six men or one man are pleased or displeased with the bill. The people are the ones to be satisfied, and he wanted the bill passed by the Senate, and he wanted the bill to be placed in the hands of the printer by order of the Senate, and taken out of the hands of the printer without the consent of the Senate...

Joseph—But has not that bill been in the hands of persons who are not stenographers or in any way connected with the Senate? Joseph—Have I had an opportunity to know what persons are to be legislated into office by this charter? Was I consulted in the making of changes in the personnel of commissions? Has the public been informed of the changes you propose to make? Joseph—Defending? I am defending no charter, and have none to defend. I am asking that the rights of the people in this matter be protected...

Joseph—In answer to that I have only to say that at that point which may actuate a man in the performance of public duties. Mays then closed the debate by reiterating his contention that the majority of the Multnomah delegation should be allowed to determine what course the bill should take. On the ballot the motion lost by a majority of the same vote by which the former motion carried. The clerk then proceeded with the reading until 5:15, when the Senate adjourned until 7:30, and again took up the reading. Joseph sat beside the clerk, and occasionally detected clerical errors, which were corrected. At 8 o'clock Looney moved that the report be adopted without further reading, but the President ruled that any member has a right to hear a report read before he is required to vote upon it...

HOUSE BILL AMENDED.

Regents of State Schools to Be Personally Liable for Deficiencies. SALEM, Or., Feb. 18.—Representative Smith, of Marion, chairman of the House ways and means committee, today introduced a bill to provide for the maintenance of the state elementary and general institutions, the State Agricultural College, normal schools, etc. The bill has been already published in part by The Oregonian, but several changes have since been made by the ways and means committee. The appropriations are as follows:

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

BILL AGREED UPON BY JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

Funds Are to Meet Claims Against the State, Items of Expense, and for Special Purposes.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 18.—The special appropriation bill agreed upon by the joint committee on ways and means is as follows:

Table listing various appropriations for special purposes, including salaries of officers, maintenance of institutions, and special services. Items include: For payment of salaries of officers and employes, for maintenance and general expenses of the Oregon State Normal School, for special services of various individuals, and for the maintenance of the State Agricultural College.

Table listing various appropriations for general purposes, including salaries of officers, maintenance of institutions, and special services. Items include: For payment of salaries of officers and employes, for maintenance and general expenses of the Oregon State Normal School, for special services of various individuals, and for the maintenance of the State Agricultural College.

ment to making alterations, improvements and repairs in the State Capitol building. SALEM, Or., Feb. 18.—The special appropriation bill agreed upon by the joint committee on ways and means is as follows: For payment of salaries of officers and employes and for the maintenance and general expenses of the Oregon State Normal School, for special services of various individuals, and for the maintenance of the State Agricultural College.

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