

MESSAGE IS READ

Governor of Oregon Presents His Views.

HEARD IN JOINT SESSION

Senators File in Chamber of the Lower House.

MILLS YIELDS HIS GAVEL

When His Excellency Appears President Kuykendall Raps on His Desk and All the Legislators Rise in Token of Greeting.

ABOUREN UNTIL MONDAY. Both houses of the Legislature adjourned yesterday until Monday and nearly all the members have gone home or to Portland to spend the recess.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Governor Chamberlain read his biennial message to the Legislature today, before the two houses in joint assembly.

The House was just about to pass a charter bill for Hillsboro, when the "Honorable Senate," as it was announced by C. A. Murphy, doorkeeper of the House, filed into the House chamber, the Senators marching in pairs.

Gavel Suspends Business. A strike of Speaker Mills' gavel brought the House members to their feet, and all craned their necks at the honorable Speaker. The Senators halted and drew apart allowing the President to go to the front of the line.

Governor is Notified. On motion of Senator Miller, of Linn, the President appointed the following committee to notify the Governor that the Legislature was ready to listen to his message.

NEW BILLS IN THE SENATE. Eighteen Measures Are Sent to the Printer. SALEM, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Bills were introduced in the Senate as follows:

S. B. 28, by Brownell—Making eight hours' labor a number of amendments to the general school laws along the lines recommended by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.



CARTOONIST MURPHY TAKES SOME PARTING SNAPSHOTS

REVISION OF TAX LAWS

BILL INTRODUCED BY CAPRON OF MULTNOMAH.

Called for Commission of Three Members to Report at the Next Legislative Session.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—A bill for a commission to revise the tax laws of the state has been introduced by Representative Capron.

Representative Bingham of Lane, has introduced four bills in the House which are of particular importance to his section of the state. One takes a township of the Bohemia mining district out of Douglas County and places it in Lane County.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The State bonding act of 1891 applies only to cities having a population of 25,000 or over.

Mayer, of Columbia, has introduced a bill to give each county a Prosecuting Attorney at the following salaries:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Salary. Baker \$1800, Clatsop \$1200, Columbia \$800, Crook \$700, Curry \$500, Douglas \$400, Gilliam \$300, Grant \$200, Harney \$100, Jackson \$100, Josephine \$100, Lincoln \$100, Linn \$100, Lane \$100.

Muir, of Multnomah, today introduced in the House a bill to amend the law relating to publishing notices of judicial process, so as to give to plaintiffs the privilege of designating in what newspaper the publication shall be made.

Cornett, of Linn, has proposed in the House a number of amendments to the general school laws along the lines recommended by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

MEMBERS NAME THEIR WANTS

Speaker Mills Will Use Notes in Naming House Committees.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The traveling bag which Speaker Mills took home to Portland today contained a packet of papers which will tell him the tastes of the various members when he shakes the committee plum tree.

Mr. Mills said he would make up the committee assignments Friday and Saturday and announce them Monday afternoon to the House.

All the above men supported Speaker Mills in the caucus fight, and he is chiefly indebted for his nomination and election. But though Mr. Mills will recognize his friends first, he will treat his erstwhile opponents with clemency and fairness.

Mr. Mills' adherents will write on his behalf in the caucus, and he will perhaps also appoint Kay to leadership of the committee on rules and joint resolutions.

Senators Have Opening Prayer. SALEM, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The Senate was opened with prayer by Rev. W. C. Kanizer, of the Congregational Church.

LASHES FOR WIFE-BEATER

FORTY STROKES PRESCRIBED BY SENATE AT SALEM.

Sheriff, Constable or City Marshal Authorized to Inflict Punishment, With Prison for Alternative.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Forty lashes with a whip or imprisonment for one year is the penalty prescribed by Senator Sichel's bill for the punishment of wife-beaters.

NINETEEN NEW BILLS IN HOUSE

Ninety-Four Measures Have Been Introduced in Lower Body.

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H. R. 78, by Mayer—To change time of holding of the county election.

H. R. 79, by Capron—To create State Tax Commission.

H. R. 80, by Henderson—As to authentication of affidavits and depositions in other States.

H. R. 81, by Smith of Josephine—For girls' annex to State Reform School.

H. R. 82, by Bingham—To amend act authorizing bonds for streets and sewers in incorporated towns.

H. R. 83, by Bingham—To provide for publication of laws enacted under the initiative amendment.

H. R. 84, by Bingham—Fixing traveling allowance of School Superintendent of Lane County.

WILSON SHOTS HIMSELF.

Wanted to Die Because His Wife Had Deserted Him.

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Killed Wife and Himself.

OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 12.—George Rowland, a watchman employed by the Southern Pacific Company, residing in West Oakland shot and killed his wife in the kitchen of their home today.

Examining Warden's Books.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The State Board of Control arrived at the penitentiary today and is going over the books of Warden Dryden, in order that he can turn over the management of the prison to A. F. Kees, who has been named by Governor Mead as Dryden's successor.

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FIRE SHOT THROUGH WALL.

LA GRANDE, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—A fire shot through the wall of the chop-house, leaving Hervey in charge of the chop-house. When he returned Hervey turned the cash over to him and gave him a paper with amount of business transacted thereon.

COE'S PROMISE KEPT

Senate Judiciary Committee Increased to Seven.

COSHOW IS GIVEN A PLACE

Recognition of Services in Breaking Up the Carter Strength—Probable Apportionment of Other Places on Senate Committees.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Trouble over the appointment of the Senate Judiciary Committee was averted today by increasing the membership of the committee from five to seven.

As the story is told among members of the Senate, Senator Coe secured aid in breaking up the Carter forces in the organization fight by promising that Coshow (Dem.) should have a place on the Judiciary committee.

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POLYGAMY BILL TOO WEAK.

Ideas of Legislators Insist That Measure Be Made More Stringent.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The House and Senate held separate caucuses on the polygamy bill pending in each body and later a joint caucus was held. The discussion developed general opposition to the polygamy bill presented.

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