# OREGON HOUSE PASSES STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION BILL

# ADVICE TO LIBRARIES

House Passes the Bill for a State Commission.

LINTHICUM ITS ADVOCATE

Paid Secretary is to Supervise Work of Traveling Collections of Books and Ald in Organizing-Commissioners Get Expenses.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 24.-(Special.)-To creat a State Library Commission and to pay its secretary \$1200 a year and traveling expenses is the object of a bill passed by the House this morning by a vote of 23 to 2. Linthicum (Rep.) of Mailtnomah, who introduced the bill, led the fight for its passage against an opposition headed by Smith (Dem.) of Josephine. Two members of the committee on education, Settlemier of Marion and Fawk of Polk, who had approved the recommendation who had approved the recomm

Smith declared that the bill simed to create a needless office and to saddle on the state another functionary of gov-

The board is to be composed of the Governor, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, the librarian of the Library Association of Pertland, the president of the State University and one

president of the State University and one other to be named by the Governor.

The commission is to "give advice to all achools, free and other public libraries and to all communities which shall propose to establish them, as to the best means of establishing and maintaining such libraries, the selection of books, cataloguing and other details of library management.

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traveling expenses.
Linthicum said that such a cor was needed in systematising library work throughout the state. He averred that experts were essential to the proper buying and cataloguing of books for li-

Smith replied that other public func-Smith replied that other public tunc-tions needed advice at the expense of the state as well as those of libraries, and declared that there was no demand for a law to saddle that expense on the com-monwealth for libraries. The bill carries appropriation of 2000 a year,

Ayes-Measre, Bailey, Bingbam, Burgoss, aprem, Cole, Colwell, Cooper, Crang, Dobbin, dwards, Graham, Gray, Griffin, Henderson, ermann, Holcomb, Hudson, Jayne, Killingsorth, Kuney, Laws, Linthieum, Mayger, Mccod, Miles, Muir, Sitz, Sonnemann, Smith Baker, Steiner, Von der Hellen, Welch, 1888, 258

Noss-Mesurs, Barross, Blakley, Bramhall, Burns of Clatsop, Burns of Coos and Cutry, Caldwell, Calvert, Cavender, Chamberiain, Cornett, Donnelly, Fawk, Filint, Buntley, Jackson, Jagger, Kay, Mankers, Newell Richle, Settlemier, Shook, Smith of Josephine-

To regulate incents of dangerous grades.—H. B. 53, Smith of Baker.

To reimburse common school fund in sum of \$20,005 for money loaned State Agricultural Society.—H. B. 119, Graham of Marion.

To incorporate Dayton, Yamhill County.—H. B. 214, Caldwell of Yamhill.

To give plaintiffs in judicial process privilege of naming newspaper in which publications and the made.—H. B. 82.

Hege of naming newspaper in which publica-tion of such process shall be made.—H. B. SZ. Muir of Multnomah.

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To protest mill employes from dangerous machinery.—H. B. 21, Cooper of Polk.

To allow \$1000 each to Susan E. Jones, Edna Tiffany and Sylvia B. Ferrell, widows of peottentiary guards killed in escape of Tracy and Merrill.—H. B. 120, Graham of Marion. To prohibit driving and frightening of sal-mon from protected waters.—H. H. 43, Burns

To make the taking of depositions the same

To make the taking of depositions the same in suits of equity as in suits of law.—H. B. 20, Smith of Josephine.

To extend time of filing liens by original contractors and material men from 30 days to 90.—H. B. 127, Griffin of Lame.

To increase terms of Circuit Court in Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 83, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 84, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 84, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 84, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 85, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 84, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 85, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 85, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 85, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 85, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 85, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 85, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 85, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 85, Craig of Multinomah to 12 a year.—H. B. 85, Craig of Multinomah to

abolish fish bounty fund.-H. B. 70, May-

To provide uniform eighth grade examina-ions.—H. H. Si, McLeed of Union.

To amend school laws so as to authorize ties: to require echool clerks to announce va-cancies in echool boards and boards to elect successors; to exempt teachers in music, lan-guages and other special branches from gen-eral examination requirements; to reduce num-her of voters needed to sign petition of certain school districts from ten to five, and to provide for transpectation of pupils from one edistrict to another.—H. B. 60. Cornett of Linn.

To prohibit sale of and fishing with hooks smaller than to size in Columbia County.— H. B. 107, Marger of Columbia.

To fincorporate Martle Point, Coss County.—

To incorporate Myrtle Point, Coos County.— H. B. II, Hermann of Coos.

To provide \$30,000 for expenses of legislative pression and to appropriate \$3,000 for claims and deficiencies.—H. B. 174, Vaster of Jackson.—To amend charter of Klamath Palis.—H. B. 37, Shook of Klamath.

To require tax levies to be made in even mills or tenths of mills.—H. B. 176, Holcomb mills or tenths of mills.—H. B. 176, Holcomb

Circuit Judge by Governor.-H. R. 154, Mcse Tenth Judicial District (Union and

ties by February I this year .- S. B. 57, Lax- phine

# BILLS INTRODUCED IN SENATE

Short Session Is Held and Adjournment Taken Until Today.

S. B. 158, by Nottingham—To provide for an indeterminate sentence of criminals.
S. B. 158, by Bowerman—To amend the law regarding judgments and decrees.
S. B. 168, by Pierce—To organize the Fourth District Pair Association.

The Senate held.

The Senate held only a very short session today, adjourning at 11:15 until tomofrow at 16. Besides disposing of all the Senate business on hand, the Senate received a few House bills and referred others from that branch to the various committees. The Senators apent the afternoon on committee work.

Senator Croisan's bill to protect lawyers in their right to address juries was today reported favorably by the Senate judiciary committee. The bill is to amend section 123 of the code. The

An emergency clause was stricken out of Senator Tuttle's bill to increase the salaries of officers of Clatsop County today by the committee on fisheries,

Croisan's hop-ture bill has been reported favorably with amendments which make the bill read as follows: "Five yards of baling cloth is the maximum quantity to be used in making the bale, and the standard weight

of each yard of balling cloth is hereby fixed at 24 ounces. "Any vendor of hops using heavier sacking than that specified in this section, or using any extraneous matter in the baling thereof shall have the same deducted as additional tare."

Senator Coe's bill to raise the age of consent from 16 years to 18 years did not come up today, as expected. It had been made a special order for 11 o'clock, but Senator Coe was absent, and it was continued until the same hour tomorrow.

A bill for an irrigation law has been introduced by Senator Coshow, by request. The bill declares the use of water to be a public use and prescribes the manner of making appropriations of water. The unit of measure for running water is fixed at one cubic foot per second of time, representing 40 cubic inches of water, miners' measure-

ment, under a six-inch pressure.

The amount of water necessary for irrigation is fixed at one cubic foot per second for each 80 acres of land. Water appropriated must be put to factual use within a reasonable time, not exceeding three years.

authorizes the Governor to parole such prisoner during good behavior.

A Fourth District Fair Association.
composed of Baker, Grant, Malheur and
Harney Counties is to be created if
Senator Pierce's Senate bill 160 becomes a law. The bill provides for the
re-establishment of the First District,
so as to make it include only Union
and Wallowa Counties. The Fourth
District Fair Association is to be governed by a board of five commissioners. erned by a board of five commissioners, to be appointed by the County Courts, two from Baker and one each from Harney, Maiheur and Grant.

tain an expert there to conduct the tests.

# NO DEMAND FOR MINING BUREAU

Measure Is Not Likely to Be Passed at Salem. SALEM, Or., Jan. 24.-(Special.)-Half a

dozen bills have been introduced at this session for the creation of a mining bu-reau, but it is doubtful whether any of them will become laws. In a general way these bills were discussed by the House mining committee tonight, but no particular measure taken under consideration.

"As a matter of fact," said a member after the meeting, "there is no general demand for a mining bureau. The miners the men who are operating mines—are not asking for it. The demand comes principally from men who are looking for positions in the bureau or who perhaps have some personal end to serve. Some mining men are afraid of such a law,

bureau inquisitorial powers which could be used to their detriment.

"There is some agitation among mining publications for creation of a bureau, and some desire that a good mining exhibit be maintained in Portland. But I have not beard from any part of the state any general demand for the creation of a mining bureau such as some of the bills

cause it might give the director of the

# READY TO HEAR PROTESTS.

Committee on Railroads Will Listen to Objections to Gross Earnings' Tax.

SALEM. Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)— Committees on railroads were to hear protests today from representatives of telephone, telegraph and express companies against Sonnemann's bill for 1 per cent tax on gross earnings of such companies, but the representatives falled to appear, and the conference will probably be held tomorrow.

To require tax levies to be made in even mills or tenths of mills.—H. H. Holcomb of Multnomah and Checkamas.

To create Eighth Judicial District (Esker County) and to provide for

The House committee on water powers will confer with Professor E. H. McAlister, of the University of Oregon. tomorrow and invites any person wh has ideas on conservation of energy in streams for light, heat and power to bring them forward. The committee is composed of Killingsworth, Coiwell, Hermann, Richie and Smith of Jose-

# Hunters Will Be Licensed.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 3t.-(Special.)-The game committees of the two houses are laboring slowly with many bills and have yet made but little progress. Today the House committee delegated to Muir, of Multnomah, and Chamberlain, of Uma-

Penalty on Street and Sewer Assessments Three Months Delinquent -Strip of No Man's Land.

SALEM, Or., Jan. M.—(Special.)—Several amendments to the Portland charter were approved today by a special committee of the Mulinomah delegation, and will be recommended for passage to the delegation. The committee is composed of Representatives Mills and Mears and Senator Malarkey. The amendments include those recommended by the old is to amend section 133 of the code. The law at present provides that the arguments of counsel shall not exceed two hours on a side.

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An amendment which has not yet been finally passed on is one to include in

municipal limits a narrow strip of land between Portland and St. Johns. This strip being without police authority of either municipality is believed to be in either municipality is believed to be in need of annexation to one municipality or the other. Francis I. McKenna. of Portland, is here advocating annexation

of the strip to Portland.

Amendments proposed by the Charter Board are to lessen the cost of advertising street and sewer assessments, to enable the Council to grant rights to street-car companies for connecting street-car companies for connecting tracks and short extensions without ap-plication of the general franchise pro-visions of the charter; to notify property-

owners by postal card when the Council resolves on an improvement.

The committee will recommend that the salary of the cierk of the Municipal Court be raised from \$5 to \$100 a month, and that all amendments be submitted to the people for ratification.

Colwell's bill for the special levy of 2 mills on the entire city for bridges will be considered by the entire delegation.

RAILROAD BILL WEDNESDAY. Made Special Order for Two O'Clock

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Senator Nottingham's bill for an indeterminate sentence law gives a Circuit Judge power to sentence a convicted man for an indefinite time and authorizes the Governor to parole such another Senator when he asks that a bill

on revision of laws until a late hour last night, and upon which that committee had been unable to agree.

The purpose of the bill is to limit the hours of labor of railroad employes. The committee reported the bill this morning without recommendation, and Chairman Malarkey announced that two of the members, Malarkey and Coshow, were in favor of the passage of the bill, and two, Rand and Bowerman, against it. Senator Mays, who is the fifth member of the committee, is absent. As soon as the report had been made, Malarkey asked that the bill be made a special order for 2 o'clock Wednesday. Hodson was at once on his feet.

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Absent-Carter, Mears, Vawter, Mills-i.

HOUSE PASSES 24 BILLS.

Library Commission Alone Encounters Any Opposition.

SALEM Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Of the
28 bills passed by the House today only one encountered opposition—that of Representative Linkingum, of Multnomah, for the creation of a State Library Commission. The other bills were:

To provide for publication by the state of laws enacted by the people under the initiative.—H. B. 88. Camberization of Uniting.

To regulate labeling of blasting powder and to problibit sale of dangerous grades.—H. k. 85. Smith of Baker.

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The bill cerries an appropriation of the country for the districts and \$2500 each for printing.

Senator Bowerman has introduced a bill to amend section \$47 of the code so as to permit bitigants to appeal from an order granting a new trial. At present and the person injured by the order has no redress.

The Senate ways and means committee in the bill without its getting a hearing on its merits," asserted Malarkey. "This bill has been way or another on that bill, and I move that it be referred to the committee on revision of laws. We sat up until midnight to provide for publication of the code so the fund of the code so as to permit bitigants to appeal from an order granting a new trial. At previous the person injured by the order has no redress.

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Inst night listening to the arguments for and against the measure, and our report shows that we gave the matter due consideration. I ask that this bill be made ial order, so that we may all know then receive proper attention from the en-

tire Senate. The motion to refer to the railroad com mittee was defeated by a large majority, and the bill will be the subject of discusmorrow afternoon.

### IRRIGATION CODE IS DIFFICULT Many Objections Filed to Measure Prepared by State Commission.

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SALEM. Or., Jan. H.—(Special.)—The proposed new irrigation code drafted by the State Irrigation Commission, is giving the irrigation committee of the House a great deal of trouble and little or no headway has been made in consideration of the measure. The committee did practically nothing today and was waiting for the appearance of J. T. Whistler, of Pendleton, one of the Government's irrigation experts, and T. G. Halley, of of Pendleton, one of the Government's irrigation experts, and T. G. Halley, of the same town, secretary of the commission. Henry Ankeny, a member of

the commission, is here.

The objections to the bill are numerous.
One is that the measure confers on the
State Engineer duties impossible of performance and that it makes him a virtual formance and that it makes and possessors dictator. Riparian owners and possessors of water rights, are raising strenuous pro-tests and placer mining interests are com-plaining that the bill would paralyze their industry.

plaints are directed against the provision that water rights not already ap-propriated by individuals shall belong to the state and that individuals shall have ation of water rights.

## ADVANCE PRINTING OF BILLS. Measure Indefinitely Postponed in the

House With Two Others. SALEM, Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Three bills were indefinitely postponed in the House this morning as follows: To permit Legislators to have proposed

bills printed by the state before the meeting of the Legislature—H. B. S. by Smith, of Josephine To establish a Commission to promote informity of legislation in the United

execution of wills and other matters-H. B. 64, by Muir, of Multnomah. To require the same qualifications of at-torneys before probate courts as before the Supreme Court-H. B. 100, by Vawter,

States on marriage, divorce, insolvency,

Smith made a fight against the indednlie postponement of his bill, but Vawter and Muir accepted the verdict of the com-mittees which had reported adversely on their measures. Smith argued that the publication of bills before the meeting of ment Taken Until Today.

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S. R. B. D. by Pierce—To provide that injured persons may bring actions for damages against the persons or corporations who are liable for the injury pany that may have indemnified said pany that may have indemnified said person or corporation against loss, and of upland birds to perhaps ten a day or 30 a week, and of upland birds to perhaps ten a day.

The matter of closed seasons is yet to be decided.

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The bills passed by the House to-day to prohibit the frightening of selmon from places where they are protected against fishermen by law aims to stop the practice of driving salmon of protected waters, as below fishways and dams into nets and other gear.

Cooper's bill, which passed the House today, to protect mill employes from dan-gerous machinery, provides that mechan-leal contrivances shall be installed by em-ployers on all such machinery, that ex-haust fans shall be provided for carrying off dangerous dust and that flywheels and elevators shall be enclosed so as to pre-

### SALE ON INSTALLMENTS.

Joint Judiciary Committee Will Report Against Recording.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 24. (Special.)—By manimous vote tonight the joint uliciary committee decided to report ad-ersely the bills introduced in the two sources of the Legislature requiring that conditional sales of personal property be recorded. The loud protest that has come from every section of the state and the showing that was made tonight be-fore the committee, led to this conclu-

Senator Malarkey, who introduced the bill in the Senate, and who was a mem-her of the committee, readily acquiecced in the decision after hearing the arguments against the bill. The absence of a general demand or necessity for a law such as that proposed is the chief reason for the adverse report. That the bill has meritorious features was conceded, but it was apparent from the broad view

but it was apparent from the broad view of all phases of the measure, that it would do more harm than good.

Extensive dealers in articles that are sold on the installment, presented figures showing that the percentage of loss by reason of sales to innocent purchasers is but one-half of 1 per cent. Since this percentage of loss is so small and the enactment of a law receiving that condienactment of a law requiring that condi-tional sales shall be recorded would al-most prohibit the sale of personal prop-erty on the installment plan, it was de-cided that the good to be accomplished would not compensate for the injury that would be sustained to mercantile inter-

fore the committee, including H. H. Northrup, E. M. Brannick, Henry Jen-nings, William Gadsby and Frank F.

### **EDDY LAW A REVENUE MEASURE** Bills to Amend May Be Sent to That

Committee at Salem. SALEM, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The bills to amend the Eddy corporation tax law so as to exempt mining compa-nies probably will be reported favorably by the committees now having them in charge. These bills were re-ferred to the mining committees, which are composed principally of men who are personally interested in mining.

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If, however, movements now on foot should prevail, mining committees will not have the last say on the bills mentioned. The Eddy law originated in the committee on assessment and taxation and is a revenue measure. For this reason, it is intended that bills to amend that law should go to the same committee.

committee.

Effort will be made to have these bills referred to the committee on asbills referred to the committee on as-seasment and taxation or to the com-mittee on revision of laws. While these bills were introduced in the in-terest of mining companies, they relate not alone to mining but more to taxa-tion. The bills propose to exempt un-profitable mining corporations, one of them from both organization tax and annual license fee and another from only the annual license fee.

# VETERANS' BILL IN FAVOR.

Amendment Adopted to Provide for age of the bill. Widows, Children or Parents.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 24 .- (Special.) -- The Indian War veterans' bill was reported which meets the objections which were made to the measure as originally introduced. The bill appropriates \$45,000 with which to pay the remainder of the claims of veterans of the Indian Wars of 1855 and 1856. The amendment adopted provides that in which was left the day before. case any veteran has died since claim was allowed, the money shall be paid to his wife, children, father or mother, in the order named. The amendment also provides that if there be no wife, children, father or mother, the money shall be paid to his estate. It is understood that this latter pro-vision is not entirely satisfactory for the reason that the appropriation is considered a personal matter between the state and the veterans and that the money should not be permitted to go to persons to whom the state is under no obligations whatever.

no obligations whatever.

The bill also carries an emergency clause, a fact that the friends of the bill may have cause to regret, for the Governor may veto it for that reason.

HUME MAY LOSE A MONOPOLY Fisheries Committees Seems Favor-

able to Repeal of Special Law. SALEM, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Ex-Representative Hume's so-called salmon monopoly of the Rogue River was the subject of a long debate before the House sheries committee tonight. As several points of law have been raised, a report was deferred. It is held by some mem-bers of the committee that the act which confers the exclusive fishing privilege on flume is unconstitutional. No matter what the majority report is, one mem-ber declares he will present a report call-

ing for repeal.

J. Couch Fianders, of Portland, argued Hume's side, and Representative Burns, of Coos, not a member of the committee, delta. told of the effect of the riparian rights w, by which Hume, owning the tide ands on either side of a navigable river, outrols the salmon business to the exownership. Justice courts are given fur

clusion of others, and argued against the legality and equity of the law which confers on Hume his monopoly.

The bill now before the House would repeal that law. It is introduced by Burns, of Coos and Curry, and a majority of the committee seem to favor passage. Prospect of a favorable re-mendation is considered good.

Notice of Work on Mine Claim.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 24 .- (Special.) -- The House committee on mining tonight decided to report favorably on the bill by Smith of Baker requiring that im-medigately after completing the annual work required by law, the owner of a

Southern Oregon Measure Provides for Revenue to Be Obtained From Migratory Herds.

animals return to the original county the owner is to be compensated out of the migratory fund of his own county for the sum paid by him in the same

Among the faces seen in the lobby today were those of George W. Hazen, F. S.
Stanley, W. D. Fenton, L. R. Fleids and
W. W. Cotton, of Portland, who are looking after railroad legislation; J. M.
Keene, of Medford; L. A. McNary, City
Attorney, of Portland; William Hanley, of
Burns; H. G. Van Dusen, Fish Warden;
B. F. Jones, of Toledo, Lincoln County,
ex-Representative; Henry E. McGinn, of
Portland, ex-State Senator; T. C. Devlin,
City Auditor, of Portland; W. C. Francis,
of Portland; Richard Scott, of Milwaukle;
P. S. Noyer, of Grant County.

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One Senate bill passed the House today to extend time for filing school district tax levies in Grant, Clatsop and Douglas counties from January 1 to February 1.

F. X. Matthieu, sole survivor of the Champoeg Convention of May, 2, 1843, was honored by the House today by being invited within the bar. Kay, of Marion, who moved that the courtesies of the House be extended, was appointed by Speaker Mills to escort Mr. Matthieu. As the honored piones came inside the memthe honored pioneer came inside the mem-bers rose from their seats.

Speaker Mills was excused from duty this afternoon, and will not return to Sa-lem until Wednesday evening. Business affairs have called him to Portiand. When he left this afternoon he called Bailey to

Smith, of Josephine, the pepperbox of the House, enlivened the afternoon ses-sion by interpolating a concurrent reso-lution calling for the appointment of a joint committee from the House and Sen-ate to investigate the reasons for the un-usual number of railroad passes being distributed among the members of the distributed among the members of the House. The committee is to have power to summon witnesses and hear evidence. The resolution was referred to the resolutions committee, of which Kay, of Marion, is chairman.

To prohibit fashing with a smaller hook than OO size in Columbia County is the purpose of the House Bill of Mavger, passed this afternoon. Mayger states that its passage would protect trout and salmon. Cornett, of Linn, asked that each member be furnished with a sample hook. Mears, of Multnomah, said that the bill would prevent much flyfishing in Columbia County, as large fish were commonly caught with small hooks. The bill passed the House with 80 ayes to 14 nays.

Uniform eighth-grade examinations in the public schools of the state is the purpose of the bill introduced by McLeod of Union which passed the House this afternoon. The Superintendent of Public Instruction is to prepare the examination questions which are to be sent to the directors of the various districts. Teachers of Union County started the movement and prominent educators of the state took it up with the result that the vote in the House was unanimous for the pass-

That no new bills shall be intro ALEM, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The duced in the House in the last ten days of the session and no Senate bills orably today, with an amendment ich meets the objections which of two-thirds of the members was re-

> Judgment debtors are now exempted from execution to the extent of \$75 a month of their earnings, but a bill introduced by Cornett makes liable to attachment, execution or garnishment, 10 per cent of the \$75 that has hitherto

To provide a more efficient method for collecting poll taxes Burns of Coos has reintroduced a bill to require em-ployes to furnish Assessors with lists of persons in their employ who are liable to the tax. "and upon being re-quired to do so, shall deduct said poil tax out of any wages due said employe and shall on demand forthwith pay the same to the Assessor or Sheriff." A similar bill was introduced by Burns early in the session and was in definitely postnoned

To transfer the balance of the swamp land fund, \$4.593.83, to the general fund, and to appropriate \$62,571.37 from the general fund for payment of warrants outstanding against the swam land fund, Mayger of Columbia has introduced a bill in the House. The preamble cites that there is no prospect that future sales of swamp

land will bring in sufficient mo redeem the warrants. The warr outstanding amount to \$44,716.64. A bill introduced by Representative Steiner of Lake would make it unlawful for anyone except an owner to drive livestock from the county in which the animais were raised or kept for six mooths preceding to another county unless he has in his possession a bill of sale describing the stock in detail, or other evidence of

isdiction. The fine named for violati sett of Linn has introduced a bill providing for publication of assess

APPROPRIATION DECIDED UPON

Little Change in Administration De partment From Last Year.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The ways and means committees of the two houses in joint meeting tonight decided to

SLIGHT BAR TO MATRIMONY.

Marriage License Fee Will Remain at Old Figures.

SALEM. Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The Est marriage license fee eprang up again in the House this morning as a subject of debate. The House yesterday refused to pass a bill to raise the price from 15 to 15. Bright and early this morning as a subject of debate. The House yesterday refused to pass a bill to raise the price from 15 to 15. Bright and early this morning warning of Mulinomah moved to reconsider. When the Speaker put the morning on delegation have turned their hand to it.

Livestock shall be assessed at the usual time and taxes shall be collected in the usual way. When the animals are driven to another county taxes shall be collected on them by the Stock inspector or Assessor of that county for the time they are to spend in its limits. The proceeds shall go into a migratory stock fund When the animals return to the original county.

Mears said the bill, if passed, would

and Cornett of Linn.

This disposes of the high license fee at this session.

Mears said the bill, if passed, would make a total revenue of \$30,000 a year.

Linthicum called the bill a good revenue Linthium called the nill a good revenue measure and marriage licenses a legitimate source of revenue. He pointed out that the dog license was \$3 and that bridegrooms out to be willing to pay \$2 more for a wife than for a dog. Kay

more for a wife than for a dog. Kay replied by declaring the charge would be burdensome and excessive.

Kuney remarked that it might keep some man with only \$3 from getting married, and, therefore, he didn't favor keeping him out of matrimony for \$2. Cornett remarked that if he had had to pay such a price for a liceuse he would have had to borrow from the preacher.

# RIGHTS OF THE RAILROADS.

Discussion Held Before the House Committee on Mining.

SALEM. Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Whether the state should try to compel railroad corporations to sell their lands within ten years and forbid them to engage in mining or reserve mining privileges when they seil their lands was the question before the House committee on mining tonight. Representative Smith, of Josephine, argued for his bills on these subjects, basing his contention largely upon the theory of the old common law of mortmain. The bills are aimed at the Southern Pacific in Josephine County. Smith contended that corporations should be permitted to own no lands except those actually used for the purpos for which the incorporation was orga-ized. The lands are for the use of t people, he asserted, and corporations should not be permitted to withhold them.

He opposed the practice of rallroad com-panies in selling lands with mineral res-W. D. Fenton, attorney for the South ern Pacific Company, replied that corpor-ations should be permitted to own land and make contracts the same as individ-uals, and if in the sale of land it is agreed between the company and the purchaser that the former shall retain title to any coal or fron therein, such an agreement should be recognized by law as valid. The committee took no final action on

the bills. COUNTY OF LEWIS AND CLARK

Northern Half of Grant and Portion of Baker to Be Included. SALEM. Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The creation of a Lewis and Clark County is a new proposal before the Legislature. The new county is to be the northern half

The new county is to be the northern haif of Grant, except a narrow strip along the eastern side, and make Long Creek the county seat. The intention is to eventually take in a strip of Baker also.

The House counties committee held a long session early this morning and heard the last of the witnesses in the Jefferson Cascade counties case. The leaders of The Dalles anti-Cascade delegation were Coun-

ty Judge A. E. Lake, Judge G. C. Blakely and J. L. Kelly. A meeting will be held tomorrow morning and a report will prob-ably be held later in the day. No decision has yet been reached by the committee and the members are split thus far. Apparently each county has about an equal chance of creation, but no matter what the report there is sure to be a warm debate on the floor of the House. The Hot Lake County bill has not yet

DEFINE BOX OF HOPS

Bill Prepared by Winstanley to Fix Weight at Fifty Pounds.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)— Manager James Winstaniey, of the Manager James Winstanley, of the Oregon Hopgrowers' Association, has prepared a bill for an act fixing the weight of a box of hops at 50 pounds.

Mr. Winstanley says this will settle all disputes over hoppicking by weight or measure, for if the weight of hops or measure, for it the weight of a bushel of outs or wheat, every grower and picker will know just what con-

Two Favorable Reports.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 24.-(Special.)-The Senate committee on assessment and action will tomorrow report favorably on two bills. One is Miller's bill repealing the laws for the maintenance of health officers at Astoria, Yaquina, Gardiner and Marshfield, where the United States will establish quarantine stations. The other is Booth's bill for the protection of hotel-keepers and against deadbeats.

LAW FOR KILLING DEER. Meat Not Good After November, Says Eugene Sportsmen.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 24.—(Spēcial.)—A opy of Senate Bill No. 29 has been recopy of Senate Bul No. 22 has been re-ceived by some of the local sportsmen, and they express their disapproval of the bill in very emphatic terms. The bill is for an amendment to the present game law, so as to make the open season for killing deer extend to December I, instead of closing November 1, as at present.

Hunters here all contend that during
the month of November, more than any
other time, deer hunting should be prohibited, because the rutting season is always about that time, and the deer are
very easy prey and the meat is not good
if killed. Of course, those who know may
kill deer in November and it may not be
spolled, because the rutting may be late
or early in the month, according to the
phases of the moon, but it is a certainty of closing November 1, as at present. phases of the moon, but it is a certainty that at the time of the November full moon the deer need protection.

Members from this county have been asked to use their influence to defeat the bill mentioned or secure an amend-

Old Soldier Dies of Exposure.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 24.-Special.) John H. Taylor, an old soldier about 70 years, died at the home of H. S. Cross at Gladstone last night. The de-ceased was found seeking shelter under a tree during a severe storm about two weeks ago. He was dangerously ill and was cared for at Mr. Cross' residence until his death.

There were papers on the man showing that he was an old soldier who served in the late war as Corporal. A sister in Pennsylvania has been notified, but no word has been received. soon disappeared and I have

for Pale People

tection of Employes.

AUTHOR EXPLAINS POSITION

Corporations Carrying Insurance Against Loss by Injuries to Men in Their Pay Are Likely to Become Careless.

SALEM, Jan. 34.—(Special.)—By a vota of 18 to 9, the Senate today defeated Senafor Pierce's bill giving injured employes the right to bring actions for damages against both the corporation responsible for the injury and an insurance company indemnifying the corporation against loss. This was a bill the passage of which was urgently recommended by the Governor in his biennial message to the Legislature. The bill was reported without recommendation by the judiciary committee, al-though a majority of the committee fa-vored its passage. Those wishing to make a favorable report were Senators Malar-

key, Brownell and Pierce, while Rand and Coke were opposed to it. When the and Coke were opposed to it. When the hill was reported last week without rec-ommendation it was announced how the judiciary committee stood, and in order that the question might be investigated by the members of the Senate, it was made a special order for this morning at 10 o'clock. An attempt indefinitely to postpone the bill without taking a vote upon the final passage resulted in a misunderstanding which for a time threatened to sever the friendly relations which have existed be-

tween Senators Rand and Pierce. As soon as the bill had been read Senator Rand moved that further consideration be indefinitely postponed. As the president was putting the motion, Pierce rose to his feet, but did not address the chair. The vote was taken and the result announced before Pierce secured recognition.

Walte with rage, the Senator from Umatilla and Union sank into his chair, and
when approached by friends refused to
listen to their explanations. Finally Senator Rand went to the irste father of the bill that had been so summarily disposed of, and after a long conference, in which

Pierce used language that was forceful if not elegant, it was arranged that the motion should be reconsidered. This was done without objection, Rand explaining that there had been no desire to shut off "For the first time during my service as a member of this body," said Pierce,
"my feelings have been hurt by the treatment I have received from other members
of the Senate. However, the wrong has

of the Senate. However, the wrong has been righted, and we will let that pass.

"I believe that this measure is a good one, and I am willing to have my position made known. It is the practice of corporations employing many men to take insurance against loss by reason of injuries suffered by their employes. Having insured themselves, the employers are in no danger of loss, and they become careless in the management of machinery and in providing protection to work. careies in the management of machinery and in providing protection to worknpen. When an accident occurs the employing corporation is often willing to settie with the injured person by paying a
reasonable amount of damages, but the surance company employs attorneys by

"The real party in interest, and the the real party in interest, and the party that conducts the defonse, is the insurance company, yet the injured manmust sue the employer alone. Were it not for this practice of insuring in this manner employers would be more careful and would settle with injured persons. The passage of this bill would accom-plish the desired result because the in-jured person could make the insurance company a party defendant. As it is now, a poor man who is injured knows that he must go through the courts in order to get justice, and must fisht an insurance company at a disadvantage, and he fre-quently abandons his case rather than ake the chances of such litigation.

As soon as Pierce had finished, the mo-tion to indefinitely postpone was renewed, and without any further debate the mo-tion was carried with the following vote: Ayes-Booth, Bowerman, Carter, Coles, Crossan, Farrar, Haines, Hobson, Hodson, Ralman, Howe, Laycock, Loughary, Nottingham, Rand, Sichel, Tuttle, Wright, Frendent Kuykendall-19.

Old Man Hangs Himself. CHELAN, Wash., Jan. 24.-Peter Johnson was found hanging to the rafters in the barn on his ranch, 15 miles northwest of town yesterday. He was about 70 years of age, and left a wife and two

ns. He came to Chelan three years ago

THE PILLS THAT WEAK WOMEN

NEED "For eight years," says Mrs. Molle E. Miller, of Wilmington, Ohio, "I suffered from dizziness and palpitation of the heart. was weak, nervous, down-hearted and could not sleep. Every month I was prostrated for a full week. The approach of that time always filled me with dread. Last spring I was induced me the first relief. Weekn icholy and restler

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills