

JAYNE LOCAL OPTION BILL CONSIDERED A MACHINE MEASURE

RIDDLE AT CAPITAL

Strange Affinity Between Four Leading Bills.

CASCADE IS STORM CENTER

'Independent' Members Have a Busy Time in Joining the 'Machine' and Getting Away Before Receiving Punishment.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Between the bills for Cascade County, Tillamook County, and the local option law and the new Port of Portland Commission, exists a strange magnetic influence, and the death of the commission bill seems only to have intensified the political riddle.

The Cascade bill is in danger of gaining enough Democratic votes to pass it in the Senate, if Senator Wheelahan, of Warrenton, cannot deliver enough votes to the Democrats to sustain the veto on Tuttle's Republican charter bill for Astoria.

The local option bill is in danger of defeat from members who regard it as a "machine" measure, and who are lined up against Cascade.

Wheelahan was laboring the livelong day to hold his and the Cascade ranks intact against his foes, and succeeded very well, but fears that his Democratic allies may desert if he cannot find them enough votes to kill Tuttle's Astoria charter bill. Ten votes are needed to sustain the veto, five of them Republicans.

Wheelahan was in a position to deliver himself, Nottingham, Bowerman and McDonald, but was hard pressed for another vote, because his other allies, not expecting such a contingency on the Astoria charter, had been led to believe that they could not easily secure release.

Wheelahan wished to throw the charter into the House for the Kay-Newell-Mills people to knock out, but they, having sustained the Port of Portland veto just a short time before, had had enough for one day.

Strangely enough, the Jayne bill is attacked in some quarters for being a "machine" measure of Multnomah County, but the fact is that while the measure is supported by all the Multnomah Senators they are making no organized effort in its behalf.

In all the contests in either branch of the Legislature the main line of cleavage follows the border between the Kay-Newell-Mills and the Carter-Kay elements. The opposition in the Senate is stronger than in the House, and appears to have gained ground considerably since the meeting of the committee on the lower chamber to have weakened, today's achievement, however, gives it much encouragement.

JAYNE BILL IS NOT AMENDED
Senate Committee Will Not Attempt to Please Either Side.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—The Jayne local option bill will be reported to the Senate without recommendation, and probably with only such amendments as are satisfactory to the House interests. The committee on education will thus report in order to put the issue fairly before the Senate. The committee will not undertake to settle the differences between the friends and opponents of the Jayne bill in order to effect a compromise by making amendments.

The bill as it passed the House will be amended so as to eliminate the provision which says that election shall be held in precincts partly within and partly without the boundaries of an incorporated city. The Jayne bill as submitted may be considered in the whole and further amended. The bill will probably be reported tomorrow afternoon and will not likely come up for final action until Thursday.

HARRY MURPHY PICTURES TWO REPRESENTATIVES, WITH AN INCIDENTAL GLIMPSE OF SPEAKER MILLS



SPEAKER MILLS'S SMILE (WITH PROFUSE APOLOGIES) TO THE SPEAKER.

ence sufficient to convict, and will give county courts power to set aside the trial of the people by failing to return sabbath license fees promptly.

Crofton argued that the local option law was adopted without intelligent consideration of its merits, that the election in November shows the people to have realized their mistake, that the present law is unfair to heavy business interests, that the law gives friends of prohibition an advantage in elections by reason of the manner in which the ballot is printed, and that under the frequent elections provided by the present law constant strife is kept up.

TAKE MITCHELL AT HIS WORD
Legislators Believe It Is Useless to Ask Him to Resign.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Unless further startling relations about Senator Mitchell shall be made, that the Legislature will probably adjourn next Friday, the appointed day. Some talk was heard yesterday and the day before of a council of Republicans, but it has not yet been held.

Bill to Raise Bailey's Pay.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—The salary of Dairy and Food Commissioner Bailey is to be raised from \$1000 to \$1200 a year in a bill which will be reported by the Senate committee on ways and means.

Effort at Irrigation Legislation.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Not at all satisfied with its action in defeating all irrigation legislation at this session of the Legislature, the House will tomorrow try to resurrect at least a part of the Cole bill, which was defeated yesterday, and to enact some kind of law which will assure the Government of protection and assistance in any reclamation work it may undertake in this state.

New Bills in the House.

VETO IS ALL READY

Governor Does Not Approve of Appropriation Bill.

WOULD UNITE THE NORMALS
Ways and Means Committee Paid No Attention to Request to Put Educational Institutions' Money Needs in Separate Bills.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Just as sure as the Governor is a foot high, he will veto that \$1,000,000 appropriation bill.

Big Doggers to Be Caught
State Treasury Will Benefit Largely by Settlements.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Representative Settlemyer's bill to authorize the Attorney-General to assess property which has escaped assessment in the past and to bring suits to collect the taxes due upon such assessments, passed the House yesterday.

Mileage Allowed Members
Smith of Josephine Protests, but Finds No Support.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—The Representatives had occasion to smile with satisfaction this morning, for they learned how much each would draw down from the State of Oregon for their labors performed as members of the Legislature.

Resolutions for Duty on Lumber.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 14.—A resolution was passed by the British Columbia Legislature today recommending to the Federal Government the imposition of a protective duty on lumber.

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DEAF MUTE SCHOOL

Bill Appropriating \$70,000 Is Carried in the House.

SITE CHOSEN NEARER SALEM

Ways and Means Committee Introduces Four Other Measures During the Afternoon, Carrying a Total of \$113,542.13.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—An appropriation of \$70,000 for new buildings for the State School for Deaf Mutes is carried in a bill introduced by the ways and means committee of the House. Fifty-two acres of school land near the cemetery, at the outskirts of Salem, are to be purchased for the institution, four miles from town, on the road to the Reform School.

The ways and means committee this afternoon introduced four other appropriation bills, carrying a total appropriation of \$113,542.13. They were rushed through first and second readings, and will probably be passed tomorrow.

At the Mute School, Superintendent Clark told the committee—Representatives Capron, Carter and Graham and Senators Wheelahan and Avery—that his pupils were taught by observation, for that it was necessary they should be taken into town frequently. With 10 minutes, each pupil can only be taken to Salem once every six weeks. The committee members say they found the building in an unsanitary and dilapidated condition, and \$22,000 will be expended for repairs.

If the mutes are moved to new quarters and the buildings remodeled, the property will be turned over to the proposed school for the feeble-minded. The bill creating this new home has not yet been passed, as it provides \$27,500 for the maintenance of the Mute School is already included in the general appropriation bill which has passed the House. One bill has a total appropriation of \$25,500, divided as follows:

- Boys' and Girls' Aid Society of Oregon, \$6000; Florence Christian Refuge Home for Women, at Portland, \$5000; Fatton Home for Old Ladies, \$2000; Baby Home, at Portland, \$6000; Oregon Historical Society, \$7500.

Another bill is for the payment of claims of various kinds. Those to be paid are:

- Alex. Orms, \$112; H. G. McCarthy, \$60; H. S. Moore, \$29.45; H. R. Colwell, \$20; W. A. Spence, \$20; Thomas O'Day and L. H. Taylor, \$20.10; Thomas O'Day, \$15; Farrow Delta, \$40.75; Edgar Ross, \$24; C. E. Moore, \$120; Thomas Brown, \$180; A. C. Jennings, \$48; F. A. Turner, \$78; Ladd & Bush, \$90.00; M. C. Starr, \$180; F. W. Dillard, \$200; Jacob Lindgren, \$20; C. E. Barker, \$12.50; Robert Sengstack, \$8.45; all in default of Governor Chamberlain, \$600; W. B. Matthews, \$100.

John Aulien, the attorney who won a number of claims for the state some 20 years ago, and whose claim for pay has been heard by nearly every Legislature since, is given \$300.19 by another bill. This is to compensate him for all claims against the state.

Claims to the total amount of \$106,23, incurred in the pursuit of Convicts Tracy and Merrill, are paid by yet another blanket appropriation bill. Those to be paid are most members of posess, and those who supplied the pursuers. The names and amounts are:

- R. B. Colwell, \$12.20; J. L. Skipton, \$30; Homer Mills, \$5; Clyde Bales, \$3.42; Taylor, \$5; W. H. Lockett, \$4; S. P. Berry, \$2; C. W. Corby, \$4; C. B. Steel, \$3; B. L. Bentley, \$10; C. E. Hammond, \$0; Martin Vachter, \$10; Skipton & Page, \$15; S. Rider, \$9; H. Kniggen, \$2; J. C. Barker, \$22.75; W. H. Frank, \$1; C. Powell, \$5; J. B. Catron, \$12.81; J. L. Skipton, \$100; B. Dugger, \$47.50; Walter Lynn, \$217.

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