

BASS OF TRADE

Eastern Washington to Use House Bill.

DEAL ON WITH LUMBERMEN

Votes to Be Given Earles Bill to Prevent Car Shortage.

ROSS OBJECTS TO CURB

Friends of Land Commissioner Making Overtures to Railroad Commission Radicals to Kill Unfavorable Bill in House.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 22.—(Special.)—The Crane-Dickson railway commission bill, as the House substitute measure is commonly called, although it is not so sweeping as some of the ultra-commission men desire, is now looked upon as the bill that Eastern Washington will stand for and which will be the basis of trade negotiations with other interests.

Today two trades are in the wind, and it is known that tentative suggestions have been made looking to an exchange of votes that would add to the strength of the bill in the Senate. One of these suggestions has come from the lumbermen and millowners who want to see passed the Earles reciprocal demurrage bill. The railroads now require a consignee of freight to pay demurrage unless a car is unloaded within a certain period.

The Earles bill obtained its name from the fact that it required the railroad company to pay a demurrage if cars for loading are not furnished within a certain time after they have been requested. Its passage is particularly desired by millmen who have suffered from car shortages. The proposed trade is that the commission men furnish enough votes to pass the Earles bill in return for sufficient votes to pass the House railway commission bill.

Deal Has Its Drawbacks. Some of the lumbermen and millmen in the House have been strongly aligned with the ones who are opposing so drastic a commission bill as the House measure, and considerable doubt is expressed as to the ability of the negotiators to swing the votes necessary to carry out the lumbermen's end of the agreement.

Another proposal comes to the commission men from some of the lumbermen who have combined with the friends of Land Commissioner E. W. Ross to prevent the passage of the bill introduced in the House withdrawing from sale all state lands for a definite period. The passage of these bills would necessarily curb the powers of the State Land Commissioner and would reduce his office greatly in importance. It would result in the cutting down of his office force to the very few men who would be required to keep up current work. The Land Commissioner naturally objects to the taking away of his discretionary powers, and there are many lumbermen who would object to the state lands being taken off the market.

Earles Trade Has Preference. So far the proposal to the commission men from this source is so indefinite that it is not known what strength the state lands men can muster, and the discussion of pending deals with Earles trade the preference on account of appearing more nearly feasible and susceptible of actual results.

It is understood that when the commission bill gets into the Senate, Senator Graves will propose several amendments making the bill still more drastic. They will be presented, not in the hope of securing their adoption, but with the intention of making a declaration for what the most radical adherents of the railway commission idea believe should be contained in the bill.

Governor Mead received a communication today from the Tacoma Chamber of Commerce, asking him to give representatives of that body an opportunity to appear before him and present arguments favoring an approval of the capital removal bill by the executive. Governor Mead has replied that if the bill comes to him, and it is a matter on which he is required to act, he will name a time at which representatives of the Chamber may present their side of the case.

It is also announced in this connection by the Governor that he will be willing to give Olympia representatives or others interested an audience.

PARADE OF ANCIENT PLUG HATS

Elks Make Demonstration in Seattle Despite the Rain.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 22.—The largest plug-parade on record was given today, when 1100 Elks marched through the streets of Seattle in a drenching rain decked out in all the ancient silk "Hats" that could be gathered from the four corners of the State of Washington. This afternoon the visiting Elks were entertained by a fine vaudeville program at the Grand Opera House, and tonight a banquet at the Washington Hotel completed the festive which culminated in the business meeting of the association.

GOVERNOR VEToes FOUR BILLS

Too Little Money for Mute School—Bill Without Title.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 22.—Notwithstanding the fact that today was a legal holiday, Governor Chamberlain kept steadily at work on the bills before him, with the result that 79 were filed with the Secretary of State without approval, 23 received his signature and four bills were vetoed. One of the bills to meet with the disapproval of the Governor was the providing for an appropriation of \$20,000 for locating and establishing a new deaf mute school nearer to the city; another, for the establishment of the Rogue River road district, authorizing the counties of Josephine and Curry to incorporate into said district for the purpose of constructing a wagon road, with power to levy and collect taxes for building road, and to issue bonds to a limit of \$50,000; a third veto was of the bill providing for

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MAJORITY CALLS FOR ACTS. Liberals Scorn Moderate Councils and Demand Instant Reforms. ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 22 (G. P. M.).—A large group of Liberals has recommended an important agreement to wait until the end of March for the development of the government's programme before formulating a new plan of campaign. In the meantime not seeking to embarrass the government. Among the moderates a more hopeful feeling exists that the government may meet the situation by a satisfactory cabinet. A responsible cabinet, with M. Witte, at its head, is regarded as already assured, and the committee of Ministers is provided.

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