

# FREEMAN BILLS PASSED BY HOUSE

## Measure Contemplates Revocation of All Perpetual Franchises.

### ONE MEMBER VOTES NO

#### Rodgers of Marion Alone in His Opposition to Enactment—Believes That Cities Already Have the Power Sought For.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—To revoke all perpetual rights, privileges and franchises in Oregon, Representative Freeman's bill passed the House this morning, with but one dissenting vote—that of Rodgers of Marion, who contended that cities have power to revoke franchises under their home-rule constitutional power, without calling upon the Legislature.

The Coffey bill, revoking the franchise of the Portland Gas Company, granted by the Legislature in 1859 and 1874, went into the Senate this morning and this afternoon was referred to the Multnomah delegation. The Freeman bill went to the Senate committee on revision of laws this afternoon, Bowerman chairman.

When the Freeman bill came up for passage at 9:30 o'clock on special order it was defended by Freeman, Northrup, Chapin and Beveridge of Multnomah; Vawter of Jackson, Barrett of Washington, Dye of Clackamas and Jackson of Douglas, and opposed by Rodgers of Marion and Perkins of Jackson.

Freeman started out by saying that the increasing value of perpetual franchises in the large cities, especially in Portland, is regarded by the public as a menace. The people demand compensation, he remarked, for the use of the streets by the possessors of such franchises, and the increasing value of all perpetual franchises, everywhere in the state, he insisted, should be curtailed in the interest of the public, by terminating such franchises.

The use of space underneath sidewalks by adjoining buildings, for cellars, Freeman contended, was a franchise that should be terminated, and the payment of compensation to the public for the use of public property.

Rodgers Opposes the Bill. Rodgers responded that Portland had power to deal with all the franchises granted by the city, under the home-rule amendment to the state constitution, which restricted the Legislature from participating in local city legislation. The Coffey bill, passed last night, related only to grants made by the Legislature, he said, and after reading the bill, the Legislature should leave other franchise matters to the City of Portland.

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formed for the same price as he paid for the original tract. Vawter called attention to the fact that the feature of the bill being considered is quite different from that part of the bill by Connell, which was prepared by the State Land Board, and provides that land of the character covered in the Farrell bill shall be sold or leased by the state to the highest bidder, provided that the sale should not be made of any such land for less than \$5 an acre, and further that no sale shall be made within ten years of the approval of the bill by the Governor.

Mr. Vawter considered that there was a serious difference on this subject in the two bills should it be possible, be reconciled by the amendment of one or the other measure. Farrell had no objection to his bill being considered jointly, and the motion of Vawter was agreed to.

The Farrell bill is objected to because it is in the interest of tide land grabbers, who seek lands by paying only a small part of their value, at the expense of the state.

CHANGES IN NOTARY LAW. Northrup's Bill Regulating Appointments Amended by Committee.

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# CARRIAGE WREATH

## Three Members of Joint Railroad Committee Bolt.

### CHAPIN BILL IN DANGER

Conflicting Reports Made to Two Houses—"Too Much Governor" Explanation of Disagreement That May Result Seriously.

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The salary of the commissioners is fixed at \$1000 each. The Chapin bill in the House and the Bingham bill in the Senate are identical.

### JUGGLING QUICKLY REBUKED

House Refuses to Refer Deschutes County Bill Arbitrarily.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—An attempt of Northrup to secure withdrawal from the special committee of House bill 347, creating the County of Deschutes, failed, a bill among the members of the House this morning. Northrup asked that the bill be taken from the special committee and referred to the committee on irrigation. It was insisted that the motion was intended to punish some members of the House. Such a course was denounced as small, narrow and petty.

Northrup explained that his motion was actuated by any such motive, but in the discussion that followed a great many of the members expressed the belief that the Deschutes County bill had been sufficiently justified, and it taken from the special committee at all, should be recommitted to the committee on counties, to which the bill was originally referred and from which it should never have been taken.

Northrup amended his motion, substituting committee on counties for irrigation. The motion for the transfer of the bill was ordered.

### BAILEY YIELDS A POINT

THE PEOPLE MUST APPROVE CHANGES IN PRIMARY LAW.

Statement No. 1 Will Remain in Present Form, at Least Until After Next General Election.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—Senator Bailey has yielded in his effort to amend the form of Statement Number One, and has decided to insert a clause favorable to the amendment that will be effective until referred to the people and approved by them. This change, if adopted by the Senate, will prevent the new form going into effect prior to the next general election, hence the candidates for the Legislature next elected will have to sign Statement Number One as it is now framed, or not at all.

It is yet a question whether the Senate will pass the bill, even with this change, but the chances seem favorable. The two Bailey bills for the amendment of the direct primary law have been made a special order for Tuesday at 3 P. M.

The Senate today passed Beach's bill authorizing County Courts to provide for the use of voting machines in cities. Senator Beach explained the new voting machines are used the trouble and confusion of incorrectly marked ballots is avoided, the counting is done as fast as the voting proceeds, and the compensation of the night shift of judges and clerks is saved. He figured that by the use of such machines in the populous precincts, Multnomah County could have \$6000 at each election. There was no opposition to the bill.

The Senate has made the bill for a new Carey act a special order for 10 A. M. next Wednesday. The bill was prepared by the State Engineer and the Assistant Attorney-General.

To give a husband a life estate in half the real property of his deceased wife the same as the wife has in the property of her deceased husband, is the effect of Malarky's Senate bill 143, which passed the Senate today. Representative Dye is fathering a bill to give the husband and wife one-third part of the other's property in fee.

With only one or two dissenting votes, the Senate today passed Coke's bill for the appointment of two Supreme Court Commissioners, to aid the Supreme Judges in catching up with their work. The bill provides for the appointment of two commissioners by the Governor, with the consent of the Supreme Court. The commissioners are to serve two years and receive a salary of \$4500 each, the same as the salary of the judges. What the nature of the work of the commissioners shall be is left to the Supreme Court.

To extend to logging roads the privilege of securing a right of way to timber, similar to the right which a farmer has to secure a road to his land surrounded by the land of others, is the purpose of Bingham's Senate bill 44, passed by the Senate today.

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All the News—Home and Abroad

Most attractive Magazine Section printed on the Pacific Coast. The first page is designed and executed by The Oregonian's own artists. The picture next Sunday, "Won't You Be My Valentine?" is an original conception, carried out in an artistic manner. A feature of these color pages is that they illustrate Oregon scenes and events of the hour. Thursday, February 14, will be St. Valentine's Day, and the artist presents the readers of The Sunday Oregonian with the picture of one of Portland's prettiest young girls as a Valentine. Do you know her?

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The Sunday Oregonian employs special writers and artists to furnish it new and original features every Sunday. Among its special writers are: Frederic J. Haskin, who is writing articles daily about America and Americans. Professor Frederick Starr is writing for The Sunday Oregonian an interesting and instructive series of articles on the Congo country. The articles are illustrated with pictures of the natives, their homes and home life. Dexter Marshall, another writer of passing men and things, has contributed for next Sunday's issue an article on newspaper men in public life that is illustrated with lifelike pictures of six of the leading newspaper men of the age. Their names are familiar to every newspaper reader, but you must secure a copy of The Sunday Oregonian to see the latest photographs of them.

John Elfreth Watkins, another special correspondent of ability, writes graphically of the claim made by a prominent Tennessee attorney to the effect that J. Wilkes Booth, the assassin of President Lincoln, did not die until 1903. The evidence developed to sustain the claim is very convincing. The story is illustrated with a fine picture of President Lincoln, Booth, David Hurd, Lincoln's log cabin home, the Ford Theater and other scenes of the historic tragedy that shocked the entire world.

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The colored supplement has the most amusing and laughable of funny pictures. Binnacle Jim's illustrated sea stories give the funny side of a seaman's life. The trouble that Jim and Bill, the parrot and monkey, get into trying to get even with the old captain, who is a perfect martinet, would make the most serious-minded merry. Next Sunday's story shows them sewed up in an elephant's hide. They try to run the "old man" off the ship, but meet with an accident, and they get the worst of it.

The Roosevelt Bears are in Ireland, having the time of their life with Paddy, the jaunting-car and the pigs. They visit an Irish fair and get into more mischief and trouble than on any of their previous journeys. The Roosevelt Bears are conceded to furnish more laughs for the youngsters than any other series of comic pictures. You have to see them in their various antics to enjoy them. You will find them only in The Sunday Oregonian. They appear in a new scene every Sunday.

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George Ade, the Hoosier humorist, contributes something every week. He is now doing over old stories in a very humorous fashion. He does not spare sentiment or romance, but shows the absurd and ridiculous in everything he touches. Oliver Goldsmith's "Vicar of Wakefield" claims his attention for next Sunday's edition. Only Ade could make this popular story take on such a phase.

Considerable space is given to a discussion of current topics by able writers. "The Beginning of Methodism in Oregon," "The Plea of Insanity as a Defense," "How Shall We Save the Salmon?" are among the topics discussed. All of these pages of special features are in addition to the regular news, society, music, real estate and dramatic departments. The Sunday Oregonian gives the telegraphic news of the world, of Portland, Oregon and the Pacific Northwest.

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Varicocele

Varicocele is a relaxation, knotting and twisting of the most vital blood vessels of the organic system. It stagnates the local circulation and interferes with the processes of waste and repair. It brings derangement of functions and injury to the general health. My method restores resort to surgical operations and hospital treatment. I cure Varicocele in one week without operation, pain or detention from business. My cures are absolutely permanent and no ill effects whatever can follow my treatment.

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