

BILL FOR OPEN RIVER IS PASSED

Washington Senate Makes Appropriation of \$125,000 for Columbia and Snake.

VOTE STANDS AT 33 TO 7

Measure Is Recalled From Committee and Carried After Lengthy Discussion—Snake Gets \$100,000, Columbia Remainder.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—The Senate today passed the bill which had already passed the House, appropriating \$125,000 for the improvement of the Columbia River above Celilo and of the Snake River below Riparia. The appropriation is made out of the general fund and the bill distinctly provides the money is placed at the disposal of, and the same shall be used and expended by and under the direction of the Secretary of War of the United States. The only restriction the state places is that \$25,000 of the amount is to be used for the Columbia and the balance for the Snake. This morning the open-river bill was called up, but reference to the Senate record showed that it was still with the appropriations committee. Presby moved to recall it from the committee and Chairman Veness of Lewis County said it had been kept there by mutual consent. The motion to recall carried, but the secretary of the Senate was unable to find the committee clerk, who had possession of the measure. The clerk, like most members of the Legislature, had attended the Legislative dance which lasted till day-break this morning.

The clerk and the bill were both found by afternoon, and the Senate, with Anderson in the chair, went into committee of the whole to consider it. Veness said that while the measure was reported to be a joint-committee bill, it did not go to any joint-committee that he attended. Paulhamus, in a long address, said there has been many and different understandings and agreements regarding this bill and other river bills. He said he had always felt this bill had merit, but that he had believed the Legislature should also care for the valleys between Seattle and Tacoma. He admitted that the House members thought differently. He announced that he would not occupy a dog-in-the-manger attitude and released all Senators from any promises made to him to oppose the bill.

Fights for Stuck Bill.

Ruth of Thurston said there was more merit in the Stuck River bill than in the open river, and announced he would vote against the bill unless the House could get right on the Stuck bill. Nichols of King said that "two wrongs would not make a right," and that he would vote for the bill and hoped that the House would vote favorably on the Stuck bill. Stevenson spoke at length on the merits of the bill, saying that it would solve the transportation problem.

Presby, speaking along the same lines, brought out the importance of the open river to the whole state and showed the benefits accomplished by the portage road. Cotterill of King said the Stuck project was one in which the Government could not help like it can do in the open river and that King and Pierce Counties paying half the taxes in the state should have the right to ask for something. This stirred up Rands of Vancouver, who said:

"King pays half the taxes! That's an old familiar cry. Why shouldn't she? She gets nine-tenths of the benefits of legislation. To the King County legislator all legislation should lead to Seattle. The sun rises and sets there, and stays there all night—in the Seattle mind! Seattle is bounded on the north by Edmonds, east by the summit of the Cascade range and south by Puget Sound, a half a mile out. Seattle doesn't know that across the summit the mountains rise to the top of the world in extent and richness that is contributing to Seattle's greatness, and that that empire is richer and bigger than Seattle." He closed with a ringing demand for action to the measure. Booth, of King, thereupon quoted the familiar passage: "How sweet to hear the watchdog's faithful bark who muzzled welcome as we saw each home."

The committee rose with the recommendation that the bill do pass, and the final vote carried, 33 to seven. It will now go to the Governor for approval.

Pure-Food Law Carries.

The Senate also passed the House bill that incorporated the National pure-food law, but cut out a provision absolutely prohibiting the sale of opiates in this state except on prescription of a physician. The deficiency appropriation bill and a number of special relief bills which had previously passed the House were likewise approved.

It killed by a vote of 13 to 20 a House bill which was a copy of the recent Federal act generally known as the railroad fellow-servant bill, and defeated House bills regarding the Land Office to deposit daily receipts in a bank which will pay interest to the state, and provided that Tax Commissioners should examine the books and systems of all state officers.

The House passed 22 Senate bills in the morning and afternoon session, one included an appropriation of \$2500 for carrying on the boundary suit against Oregon. There were defeated four Senate bills, one of which provided for a state road in Coville and Skamania Counties. A resolution was unanimously passed by the House that Colonel M. E. Lindsey, chairman of the legislative committee, authorized by the last Legislature to purchase a silver service for the cruiser Washington, should act as a committee of one to present the gift on behalf of the state.

SUES PARENTS OF COASTERS

Seattle Woman, Struck by Sled, Wants Damages.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—Declaring that the youthful sons of four prominent and wealthy residents of East Madison street caused her great bodily suffering and permanent incapacity for work by running over her prostrate form while they were engaged in coasting on the sidewalk several weeks ago, Mrs. Mabel Schwartz today filed a suit in the Superior Court today to recover \$5000 damages from the parents of the children. Snow, which is a rarity in this city, broke all records this winter, and coasting was enjoyed by both young and old. Mrs. Schwartz declares that she was climbing the hill with a child in her arms when a sled loaded with four children knocked her down and inflicted permanent injuries. The parents named as co-defendants are: Lee Elliott, P. M. Doyle, W. H. Fielow and John McMullen.

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POSITIVE IN DENIAL

Orator Trill Declares Plagiarism Charge False.

MAKES FORMAL STATEMENT

Willamette University Student, Who Was Debarred From State Contest, Asserts That He Never Saw Beveridge's Speech.

SALEM, Or., March 13.—(Special.)—Wallace S. Trill, who was debarred from the recent state oratorical contest because of plagiarism, tonight gave out the following statement:
"I feel that it is my duty, in behalf of my parents, my college, my friends and myself, that I make this one and final statement to the public. The charge of plagiarism which was preferred against me by the State Oratorical Association at McMinnville, Friday, March 8, and which debarred me from participating in the same, is strong and sweeping. It is evidence sufficient to convict any man, and when I say that I did not copy and that I never read Senator Beveridge's speech on the Philippines, who can I expect will believe me?"

I wish to make the same statement to the public that made this statement to the committee of the association, that upon my word as a man I did not copy one word and that I had never seen Senator Beveridge's speech.
I was no one more surprised than myself when I was shown the paper in which the parallel sentences of my oration and those of Beveridge's speech were identical. I asked the committee to submit Beveridge's speech and my oration as a whole to any three or five men in McMinnville, and whatever their decision was, I would cheerfully abide by the same. This the committee would not, and they could not do.

It is understood that I am not censuring the committee for their action in the matter, for I believe they acted on their best judgment, and that they did all and the only thing that they could do, and I wish to thank them for the kindness shown me. But I swear by all that is sacred within me as a man that I did not copy one word of Beveridge's speech, and further, that I myself wrote every sentence in the oration with the exception of a few words which were suggested by my professor.

How it came that I used Beveridge's words is what I am unable to explain. If I could give any logical reason for this, I could give any logical reason for anything. I realize that I am, in the eyes of the public, and always will be, branded as a plagiarist; but before God, I am an innocent man."
WALLACE G. TRILL.

HOP MARKET IS LOOKING UP

Activity Follows Announcement That Embargo Will Be Raised.

TACOMA, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—Activity has characterized the local hop market for two months, but now that the Northern Pacific is about to raise the embargo on hops, the market is showing signs of improvement. Inquiries are being received by the dealers and the indications are that considerable business will be done after the embargo is raised. The situation has not looked brighter for the growers since last fall.

During the last few days some sales have been made here, being the first in two months. Thomas Leadman has bought 23 bales of medium from Thomas Dargan at 75 cents, and 117 bales of medium to prime from Paul Horst at 54 cents.

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ASK FOR INCREASED WAGES

Smelter Workers Make Request That May Become Demand.

TACOMA, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—Between 500 and 600 men employed in the lead and copper plants at the Tacoma smelter have asked the management for an advance in wages of 50 cents per day. The men are now drawing wages of from \$2.75 to \$4 per day. The request for the raise is in accordance with a promise made by the management some time ago, when the eight-hour rule went into effect. While the application of the promise was not made in the form of a demand, it is understood that they feel inclined to insist if the management does not concede. Workmen are scarce at present, and the smelter is often short of men.

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