

PILOTAGE NOT TO BE COMPULSORY

Portland Men Win Fight Before House Committee on Commerce.

AMENDMENT WILL CARRY

Pilots Assured of No Shrinkage in Revenue Under New System. Danger of Sound Regaining Preferential Once Enjoyed.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Jan. 27.—Representing Portland's demand for abolition of compulsory pilotage at the mouth of the Columbia River, and for protection of its interests against Astoria in the bill enabling creation of port districts under the initiative, a delegation of men from that city appeared before the Multnomah delegation this afternoon and the House committee on commerce tonight. Before the latter committee they combated with representatives of Astoria and the Bar Pilots and made a case which the favor of the Portland proposals could not meet. The amendment providing that Astoria may not interfere with Portland's ships will go through.

Compulsory Pilotage Needed.

Woods maintained, however, that compulsory pilotage is needed at Puget Sound and that the experience of the world over has proved that pilotage should be self-sustaining. Compulsory pilotage, he said, is necessary to maintain the revenue for the support of pilots and to maintain efficient service. Any deficiency, he conceded, could be made up by Portland, if that city chose to tax itself for the purpose, but he thought that taxation needless.

The committee will meet again tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock to decide finally on the bill. It will report the bill favorably.

Representing Portland were C. F. Wright, W. D. Wheeler, E. W. Wright, John Driscoll and B. C. Lockwood. Astoria was represented by Representative McCas, Dan Welsh and others. Woods said the pilots would agree to equip their schooners with gasoline motive power for improvement of the service if they were guaranteed continuance of the present system. Swigert, representing the Port of Portland Commission, said Portland would be glad to do that for them if it would improve the service.

Good Salaries for Pilots.

Swigert said that the bar pilots would be paid good salaries under the new system and that they would have nothing to fear from the shore from shrinkage of revenue resulting from abolition of compulsory pilotage. He made clear that Portland would not just as much as the shore to vessels as would be necessary to put the Columbia River on equal charter rates with Puget Sound, in whose favor a differential once put, would be difficult to get rid of.

McCas contended that compulsory pilotage is the best method, proved so the world over. Puget Sound, which the Columbia River is in competition, he said, badly needs compulsory pilotage, as is proved by the many wrecks at its entrance.

Driscoll in answer cited that Columbia River shipping had been improved by abolition of compulsory river pilotage.

McCas Makes Good Fight.

McCas declared that if there were frequent towboats carrying cargo, pilotage would take care of itself. He blamed the trouble on bad towboat service.

McCas made a brave stand, but the odds were against him. Wright showed the danger of Puget Sound regarding the preferential. As to the general port measure of Representative Bean, which, as first presented, would have put Astoria in control of Portland shipping at the mouth of the Columbia, an amendment has been tacked on by the House committee on judiciary, curing the defect and providing that Astoria may not touch Portland's ships. This amendment has been approved by the Multnomah delegation and the bill favorably reported by the judiciary committee will now go through.

The amendment reads as follows:

Text of Amendment.

Nothing in this act contained shall be construed as in any way altering or abridging powers now exercised or enjoyed, or by law authorized to be exercised, or by contract or agreement made or to be made, or by any other provision of law created or to be created, or by any other provision of law existing under the laws of the United States, or by any such part or provision of law heretofore organized and now in existence, may re-organize under the laws of the United States, and in which case all books, papers, maps, money and other property of the corporation shall pass to and become the property of the port or corporation re-organized under this act.

JAEGER FIGHTS CLEMENS BILL

Provides Insurance Commissioner and Deposit of \$25,000.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Opposition to Representative Bean's bill creating the office of State Insurance Commissioner and repealing the \$50,000 deposit law is led in the House by Representative Jaeger. This measure is known as the Clemens bill, and is known as the Clemens bill, and is known as the Clemens bill.

Originally the bill proposed the repeal of the required deposit of \$50,000, but it has been amended to reduce the deposit to \$25,000. At the same time it was required that before any foreign insurance company can enter the state and do business it must file with the Insurance Commissioner a certificate from the insurance department of the State of New York certifying as to its financial soundness.

"There certainly can be no objection to the bill in its amended form," said Representative Clemens, who is confident the measure will pass. "So far as the de-

posit feature of the present law is concerned, I contend that it, in itself, is absolutely no protection to the assured. The number of insurance companies that cannot provide a deposit of \$25,000, or even more, is indeed small, and under the present system that is the only requirement imposed on such companies. The bill is in the interest of bringing more insurance companies into the state that the large business houses may be enabled to place all of their insurance right here at home, without being obliged to send much of it outside of the state. Two other measures of interest to insurance companies have been introduced in the House. One of them is by Clemens, and prohibits attorneys from taking personal damage suits on a contingent fee basis. The other, by Reynolds, creates the office of State Fire Marshal, the expense of which is met by a direct tax on insurance companies. This bill is patterned very closely after the law in effect in the State of Ohio.

Emergency Tax Bill Delayed.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Jan. 27.—Passage of emergency tax bill was deferred in the House this morning by the objection of Campbell who insisted that the bill should be printed before being rushed through. It was planned by the tax committee to put the bill through today under suspension of the rules, but in the House the two-thirds majority could not be mustered. Passage is expected tomorrow without further delay. The bill carries a contingency clause and will go into effect at once.

CLUB IN ANNUAL SESSION

EAST SIDE BUSINESS MEN REVIEW YEAR'S PROGRESS.

C. A. Bigelow Is Again Chosen as President and Outlines Future Work of Organization.

The third annual meeting and election of the East Side Business Men's Club was held last night in the Grand-Avenue Theater and was well attended. Election of officers and the choice of the following: President C. A. Bigelow; vice-president, O. B. Helms; secretary, George T. Wright; treasurer, B. E. Preston; assistant secretary, W. B. Hall. Mr. Bigelow was anxious to retire, but the club insisted on his taking the presidency again on account of his effective work during the past year. W. M. Jackson, who has been secretary for two years, declined re-election. Mr. Atchley, elected secretary, is a prominent business man, and Mr. Helms, vice-president, is manager of the Pacific Iron Works, of Portland.

President Bigelow followed the election with a talk on the topic, "What the East Side Business Men's Club Has Done for Portland." He recounted the filling of East Morrison and East Stark streets, the erection of a fireproof passenger depot, the paving of Grand avenue, and the part the club had in the Rose Festival.

Mr. Bigelow then mentioned some of the things in prospect, including a hotel on East Morrison street, a freight depot, the further improvement of Grand avenue and the erection of a modern theater on the East Side.

George L. Hutchins, of the Rose Festival Association, told the audience what he had done to exploit the coming festival. He complimented the people of the East Side and the Business Men's Club on their enterprise, saying that the Rose Festival Association would give the people of the East Side full consideration in the program next June.

State Senator Kellaher spoke briefly about the club and what it is hoped to do in the future.

Tom Richardson, manager of the Portland Commercial Club, delivered an optimistic address, predicting a remarkable growth for Portland and the Northwest. Mr. Richardson also paid the business men a high compliment, and declared no better evidence of the growth of Portland could be seen than the progress that was being made on the East Side.

The remainder of the program was by the Oregon Male Quartet, which gave a number of illustrated songs, and moving pictures by the Grand-Avenue Theater. By the next annual meeting it will probably have a building of its own.

AGAIN AFTER EDNA'S AUTO

Brown's Receiver Sues for Accounting of Lover's Gift.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—C. E. Littlefield, trustee in bankruptcy for A. O. Brown & Co., the defunct brokerage firm, filed papers in an action in the Federal Court today against Edna Wallace Hopper, the actress, and A. O. Brown, asking the defendants to account for the value of an automobile and a life insurance policy and for judgment to that amount.

The automobile is valued at \$300 and the policy was \$25,000. Mr. Littlefield says these things were given to the actress by Brown without proper consideration.

KING'S SON SINGS IN CAFE

Heir of ex-Ruler of Serbia to Get \$10 Per Day.

BUDAPEST, Jan. 27.—George Christos, son of ex-King Milan of Serbia, and at one time a claimant to the Serbian throne, has accepted an engagement to sing in a local cafe for \$10 a day. King Milan died in 1901.

PRISONERS MAKE ESCAPE

Men Wanted for Nyssa Robbery Break Jail and Run.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 27.—Charles Johns, William Lloyd and Peter J. Zeigler, arrested at Portland and taken to Yale, Or., to answer the charge of burglary at Nyssa, Or., broke jail last night and are still at large. A posse is searching for them.

BABY RULER HAS SMALLPOX

Infant Chinese Emperor Suffering From Virulent Form of Malady.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Cabling from Peking the correspondent of the Times, says that the infant Chinese Emperor is suffering from confluent smallpox.

Franklin Bests Grant.

SEATTLE, Jan. 27.—Charles Franklin, of this city, tonight secured two straight falls from Lou Grant, a former Minneapolis wrestler who has been campaigning in Oregon. Grant weighed 230 and the local man 176. Franklin's cleverness was a surprise even to his manager.

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Bailey Proposes Bill to Remove State Fair Here.

HE SPEAKS FOR MEASURE

Selling and Miller of Linn Oppose Removal and Measure Finally Referred to Committee on Agriculture for Report.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The Marion County delegation suffered a big scare this afternoon when Senator Bailey's bill to remove the State Fair to Portland came on for third reading. The bill was reached just before the noon recess but was not read.

Senator Bailey had passed the word around that he had enough votes to carry the bill, and for a few moments the Marion Senators were uneasy. During the noon adjournment a large number of Marion County people visited the Senate chamber and found no danger of the bill passing, so they got over their scare. When the bill came up this afternoon, Senator Bailey made a brief address in its behalf, arguing that the fair should be held at the metropolis, that Portland had sufficient hotel accommodations for all who would attend the fair, that Multnomah County pays 20 to 40 per cent of the taxes but had no state institution and never had a state appropriation.

Portland had a County Club whose grounds would make a splendid site for a state fair.

Selling, of Multnomah, was the first to oppose the bill. He said that Multnomah did not want the fair and that he had never heard the project mentioned until the Bailey bill was introduced. He thought the fair a very valuable public institution, located where it could do the most good, and he hoped the bill would not pass.

Miller, of Linn and Lane, took the same attitude and called particular attention to the fact that the bill authorized the sale of the present State Fair grounds and building at auction without providing what should be done with the proceeds. Miller moved in definite postponement, which was defeated by a vote of 15 to 15. The bill was then referred to the committee on agriculture.

The Marion County Senators took no part in the discussion, which assured that the bill could not pass.

Charter Amendment Proposed.

Senator Bailey today introduced a resolution for the submission of section 3 of the constitution to section 2 of article 11 of the constitution, relating to the incorporation of cities. His amendment proposes to permit the Legislature to enact, or amend a city charter with the consent of the majority of the people of the city or town.

Senator Bailey also introduced a bill in the Senate today to amend the Association of hours of labor for women, providing that for one week prior to Christmas women may be employed in stores 12 hours a day.

For Creation of Counties.

Senator C. J. Smith, of Umatilla, has introduced a general bill providing in the manner in which new counties may be created by vote of the people affected and without regard to the constitution. This measure, S. B. 138, will very likely have an influence upon the passage of the Nesmith County bill, for it will enable the people of that county to vote on the question to be created by a general law.

Senator Nottingham wants to abandon the present system of having employees of the State Insane Asylum go out after insane persons and to resume the old practice of having the asylum take care of the insane persons to the asylum.

For that purpose he introduced S. B. 148 today. The bill provides that the sheriff shall convey the insane persons to the asylum and receive for each service \$2 per day and actual traveling expenses. The bill will be opposed upon the ground that trained employees of the asylum have the custody of insane persons, and that the present system is cheaper.

For Safety of Workmen.

Senator Sinnott's liability bill, S. B. 123, introduced today, is the measure proposed by the State Federation of Labor. It requires contractors, or other employers of labor, such as painters, contractors, electricians, etc., to provide safe scaffolds, to properly protect wires, and take other precautions to safeguard the lives of their employees. The bill provides that in case of death or injury to an employee, there shall be no statutory limit to the amount of damages the jury may award. Contributory negligence may be a defense, but may be taken into consideration by the jury.

To Remove Damage Limit.

The long-expected bill to remove the limit to the amount of damages that may be recovered for injuries causing death, was introduced in the Senate this morning by Kellaher, of Multnomah. This bill will remove the limit of \$5,000 that manufacturers have been fearing so much, and which, if passed, will probably put many of them out of business. For many years the limit of damages in cases of this kind was \$5,000, but two years ago it was raised to \$25,000. The proposal now to remove the limit entirely will probably cause a strenuous fight before the bill is finally disposed of. Lumbermen say that although they take every precaution to avoid accident, fatalities in logging camps and sawmills cannot be prevented.

So McMahan May Sue.

Senator J. N. Smith, of Marion, has introduced a bill which will open the way for the recovery of damages by public officials who misappropriate public funds. His bill is S. B. 142, and will enable Attorney L. H. McMahan to bring his suit against Governor Chamberlain and other state officials to test the validity of the flat salary law and to recover the money paid them in excess of their constitutional salaries.

At present a suit against a public official to recover public funds can be brought only upon the approval of a District Attorney, so that unless a District Attorney can get the consent of a District Attorney he cannot bring such a suit. The Smith bill will also permit suit by a taxpayer against county or city officers for the same purpose.

Not Referred to Bones.

When Senator Kellaher's bill, providing for sheets nine feet long, came on for second reading and reference in the House this morning, Mahone suggested that it go to Representative Bones, of Yamhill—the tallest member of the Legislature. The measure was referred to Kellaher.

the committee on health and public morals.

FIFTEEN BILLS IN SENATE

List of Measures Introduced in Upper House Yesterday.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Bills were introduced in the Senate today as follows:

S. B. 124, Chase—County courts to provide for copying town plats.
S. B. 125, Kellaher—Prohibiting employment of persons under the age of 18 to run elevators.
S. B. 126, Marion delegation—To fix salary of Sheriff of Marion County. First deputy \$1200, second deputy \$900, third deputy \$750, and \$500 to provide for payment of traveling expenses of sheriff and deputy.
S. B. 127, Kellaher—To remove the \$7500 limit to damages recoverable for causing death.

S. B. 128, Smith of Umatilla—To provide a general law for the creation of new counties without a special act of the Legislature.
S. B. 129, Sinnott—Contractors for painting, plumbing, construction, etc., shall make scaffolds, etc., strong enough to support weight four times as heavy as expected to bear, and shall protect wires, etc.
S. B. 130, Bailey—To limit hours of employment of women in mechanical, mill, cannery and other establishments to ten hours a day, but permitting overtime in case of emergency before Christmas.

S. B. 131, Chase—To provide for making the State Fair a week of seven days and prescribing the manner of recording same.
S. B. 132, Smith, of Marion—To authorize a taxpayer to bring suit for an accounting against a public official.
S. B. 133, Miller, of Linn and Lane—To fix the compensation of County Commissioners.

S. B. 134—Substitute for Senate bills 5 and 45, governing deposit of state funds in banks.
S. B. 135, Parham—To fix the salary of the Assessor of Grant County at \$4000.
S. B. 136, Parham—To fix the salary of the County Treasurer of Harney County at \$1000.

S. B. 137, Sinnott—Actions for libel and slander to be brought within one year.
S. B. 138, Nottingham—Sheriffs to convey insane to the asylum.

NEW DOCKS ON COOS BAY

GRAY CITY FIRM OBTAINS EXTENSIVE HOLDINGS.

Gray & Holt Will Place New Vessel in Service and Open Warehouses.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—A deal which promises much benefit to the shipping interests of Coos Bay has been closed by Gray & Holt of San Francisco, owners of the steamer Alliance, making the run between Portland and this place, whereby the company comes into control of most of the best deep-water docks in Marshfield. The steamship company has leased for five years from the C. A. Smith Lumber Company the present warehouses of the Alliance and the M. F. Plant, all of the wharf south of the warehouses, and in front of the Smith retail lumber yards, together with large wharves with adjacent vacant lots extending north to B street. This gives the company control of 480 feet of best wharfage in the city, and practically the only place for very large steamers to land.

H. W. Skinner, the local agent, announced that it is the intention of Gray & Holt to make Coos Bay one of their important points, and to conduct the holdings they have acquired as a public charter and warehouse place. It is also the intention of the company to soon put on another boat out of Coos Bay.

Albany Team Picked.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Grover C. Birchett, Carroll H. Cushman and Walter H. Birchett, have been chosen to compose the debating team of Albany College to contest for the championship of the Collegiate Debating League of Oregon for this year. Birchett has been a member of the college debating team the past two years, and will lead the 1909 team. Hodge was a member of the team last year, and will be a member of the team this year. Birchett is a sophomore and a sophomores and resides near this city; Cushman is a senior and is registered from Astoria, Lane County; Hodge is a freshman and comes from Coquille, Coos County. All are prominent students and are active in athletics and other college activities.

Costs \$55 to Ride 26 Miles.

NEWBERG, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Russell H. Cornish, preacher, philanthropist and orator, paid a fare of \$55 to ride a distance of 26 miles from Portland to Newberg, where he was killed by a train.

Union depot in Portland when he should have been conveyed to the Jefferson street station, and it was too late to stop the train. An auto brought him here on time, however.

Hotel Thief Caught.

SEATTLE, Jan. 24.—With the arrest of Joe Miller, a Finn, as he was about to leave the Stevens Hotel, the police believe they have a thief who has been robbing hotels along the Pacific Coast for several years. The police are confident that identification will show the man who is robbing the man with hotel thefts that run into thousands of dollars.

R. A. Leonard, a canneryman of Vancouver, B. C., who has been in the city for several years, was found to have been robbed of \$75 while he slept.

Try-out for Oratorical Contest.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—An oratorical contest among Willamette University students to determine who will represent the school at the annual contest to be held in Corvallis, will take place next Friday evening, in this city. Orations will be as follows: Clark Russell Belknap, "The Aim of the Emperor"; Miss Mary Gittins, "Where Ralls the Oregon"; Ray Marquand, "National Territorial Expansion."

Billye Again to Serve.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—City Attorney R. E. Billye has been re-elected by the City Council to serve during the ensuing year and other minor city officers for 1909 have been selected as follows: Engineer, Hugh G. Fisher; Special Engineer of fire department, F. D. Austin; City Treasurer, J. H. Spooner; Superintendent of Streets, A. L. Ramsey; Poundmaster, John Clark.

More Paving for Salem.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The City Council has practically decided to pave several blocks of Court street with bluish pavement. This is the most extensive paving of the broad avenues skirting the State Capitol grounds will be paved.

Albany High School Wins.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—In a fast practice game, in the Albany basketball team, the Albany High School basketball team won from the ballhoists of the Alco Club by a score of 11 to 6. Excellent guarding kept the score down.

Third Time in Asylum.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—John C. Walling, Jr., of this city, was committed to the State Insane Asylum last evening for the third time. He was sent to the asylum in 1902, and again in 1905, and discharged each time as cured.

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Witness Held for Perjury.

Robert D. Parker, of Portland, and Alice Welles, of St. John, Get Into Trouble at Vancouver.

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be a fine fellow by all who knew him.

The girl had left word that she had gone to San Francisco.

Captain of Detectives Baty was sent back to Vancouver couple, but returned without them. They were left in the Vancouver jail at the request of District Attorney Stapleton.

Heavily charged with the law for perjury testimony relative to the girl's age, and who desired Parker and Welles before her family had come to the Coast, and that she was over 18.

Captain Baty said that the girl had exhibited the greatest determination to return to her parents. She declared that she would not return to her home under any conditions. He will return to Vancouver again today and bring Parker to await trial here, and if he refuses to go to her parents, will turn her over to the juvenile authorities.

CALLS IT BANKERS' BILL

BROOKS HAS CAMPBELL MEASURES RECONSIDERED.

Effect as Passed, He Declares, Would Be to Annul Practically Existing Attachment Law.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 27.

(Special.)—Representative Campbell's bill, House bill 88, amending the attachment law of the state, which passed the House yesterday, will be reconsidered by the members of that body under the head of special order at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. The motion to reconsider the bill was made by Brooks, of Malheur, and was supported by 33 Representatives, 21 resisting the motion.

In asking for a reconsideration Brooks announced that he and many other members of the House had voted for the bill when it was passed Monday, without having a correct understanding of its provisions. He said that while the amendment to the bill was represented as merely adjusting the existing statute for the protection of general business conditions, during a period of extraordinary holidays, such as those of the Fall of 1907, an investigation had convinced him that the law had been amended in several vital respects.