

Astorian Has Rapid Fire of Ques tions, Which Confuse for a Time Supporters of Bill Abolishing Compulsory Pilotage.

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HOUSE WASTES MUCH TIME.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Feb. 4. -(Special.)-With discipline out of the window and dignity, be-coming a legislative assembly al-most entirely a minus quantity, the House wasted the greater part of both forenoon and afternoon sess today. The sum total of the day's secomplishments was passage only two important bills-one abolishing compulsory pllotage on Columbia bar and the other providing that the question of holding a constitutional convention shall be submitted to the people.

House committee on resolutions omorrow will report back to the House Senate Concurrent Resolution, calling for final adjournment of the Legislature next Wednesday, with the recommendation that the resolution be not concurred in by the House until "both houses have enacted some legislation in the interest of the people of the state."

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STATE CAPITAL, Salem, Feb. 4 .-(Special.)-Against a vigorous fight waged Representative McCue, of Clatsop, the bill abolishing compulsory pilotage on the bill abeliahing computeory pilotage on the Columbia bar passed the House this moraling by a vote of 45 to 11, one absent. This bill was introduced by Representa-tive Mahone for the Multinomah 'County delegation and had the indonsement of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the Port of Portland.

the Port of Portland. Repeal of the compulsory pilotage fea-ture of the present law was urged by the supporters of the bill as being absolutely necessary to place Portland on an equality with Puget Sound ports for com-petitive shipping. It was also urged that so long as the pilotage service re-mained in the control of interests other mained in the control of interests other than those of Portland, from which nine-teen-twentieths of the shipping of the state was forwarded, just that long the differential burgers. differential between this port and those on Puget Sound would have to be con-tributed indirectly by the producers of the entire state in the shape of increased freight rates.

#### McCue Fires Rapid Questions.

McCue made an earnest and eloquent argument against the bill and repeatedly fired questions into the camp of the argument against the till and repeatedly fired questions into the camp of the bill's supporters that tended to confuse them for the reason that few members of the Multnomah delegation were suffi-ciently versed in the towage and pilotage services on the river to make effective replies to the elever and entangling in-terconstraines of the young legislator

terrogatories of the young legislator from Clatsop. Mr. McCue argued that the pllotage Mr. Mccue arguest service on the river should be a matter for state regulation and should not be

cial.)-Advocates of extended common postponement was made by Senator Abraham, of Douglas County, and it car-

The Senate this morning indefinitely postponed the Nesmith County bill, Sen-ate bill S. This action was taken on recommendation of the Senate committee on counties. The motion for indefinite

ried by unanimous vote. There was no

discussion. A similar bill met the same fate in the House yesterday.

Would Amend Tax Law.

Senator F. J. Miller, of Linn and

regulated by any one parti-Experience, he said, had proved munity. that every port in the world that amounted to anything in a commercial way, maintained compulsory pilotage. He asserted that any discrimination that might exist against Portland and in favor of Puget Sound was due, not to the pilotage service, but to the natural condition of the bar at the mouth of the river and which could not be obviated

Mahone, Davis, Jaeger and McKinney made talks in support of the bill. The discussion had, occupied about 90 minutes when Clemens moved the previous ques-tion with the result that McCue, al-though he had concluded his main adthough he had concluded his main ad-dress, was denied the privilege of ask-ing some questions of the defenders of the bill. In the balloting that followed, Bones, Bean and Corrigan took excep-tion because of the abruptness with which the discussion was closed, and voted agains: the bill Eaton also voted negatively for the reason that he con-sidered that the bill was a contest besidered that the bill was a contest be-tween two conflicting interests and for the further reason that he did not thoroughly understand the provisions of the measure. Calkins voted for the bill under protest, explaining that he objected seriously to the emergency clause with which it was provided. The 11 Representatives voting against the bill were: Bear, Bones, Corrigan, Faton, Hawley, Jones (Douglas), Lefnenpresent system children desiring an edu cation were not furnished adequate school advantages.

Eaton, Hawley, Jones (Douglas), Leinen-weber, McCue, Meek, Miller and Smith. Beals was absent.

#### Two Bills Withdrawn.

Representative Bonebrake today with drew from the House his bill empowering Justica Court officers to require persons obtaining liquor in dry territory to tell of whom the liquor was obtained. The com-mittee on revision of laws had held that this bill was not necessary as the authority to compel such testimony was already provided in another statute. The bill, by Representative Brandon, proposing that the maximum charge for

proposing that the maximum charge for railroad fare in the state should be 2% cents a mile, was also withdrawn by Mr. Brandon who explained that he took the purpose to the general fund, and provides that the state authorities shall have the au-thority to raise the \$300,000 in three action at the request of members of the Railroad Commission who feared the en-actment of the bill with some of its might embarrass the work of that organization.

#### Bill to Cut Gas Price.

bill to cut the price of gas in Portwill have opportunity to defer for an-other two years, or longer, the time in which the state shall undertake to raise land from 35 cents to 8) cents has been introduced by Representative Brady, of Multnomah. Overcharges shall cause the its agreed share of the purchase price of that property. offender to forfett \$1900 to the school tund.

#### Boxing Bill Introduced.

To permit boxing matches up to ten rounds, Representative Davis, has in-troduced a bill at the request of John H. Barnes and Fred T. Merrill. The purpose Barnes and Fred 1. Merint. The puppes is to remove the present ban on ring boxing, which the statute classes with prizefights. Merrill and Barnes plan to conduct ring contests at The Oaks in Portland, for points.

#### To Amend Barber Bill.

stable bill a bill to abolish the regulrement of A unit to about the requirement of "sworn" applications, by seekers of bar-ber certificates has been introduced by Representative L. M. Davis, on request of C. M. Idleman. The bill restores section 3845 of the code, which was amended fn 1907.

#### Another Office Proposed.

To create the office of Public Architect of state buildings, paid the regular fees

school education in this state today scored a notable victory when Representative Hawley's bill, requiring that at least six months' school be taught an-nually in every school district in the state, passed the House with only one dissonting vote-Hatteberg of Marion. Eaton, chairman of the committee on education, by which the bill had been re-moded forcemptic at the request of Mr. ported favorably, at the request of Mr. Hawkey, introduced the discussion in the bill's favor. Mr. Eaton remarked that there were 190,000 school children in the

Lane, today introduced resolutions for the constitutional amendments upon the subject of taxation, which were printed in The Oregonian yesterday. These amendments, if adopted, will permit the assessment and taxation of railroads by the state separate from other classes of property. Similar resolutions have been introduced in the House by Representa were now holding only six months school or less every year. Over 600 districts hold less than six months' terms. It was explained by the speaker that where the revenues of any school district for school purposes are insufficient to meet the expenses of a six months' term of tive McCue.

Hatpin Bill Postponed. Representative Farrell's 19-inch hat-pin bill was indefinitely postponed in the Senate this afternoon. When Senator J the bill authorizes the County Senator Abraham's "quiet Sun-Court to levy a small tax on the property in such districts to make up the defiday" bill came up in the Senate on second reading today, Abraham wanted it to go e committee on municipal corpora-On motion of Bingham it was sent o the Mr. Hawley, author of the bill; Speaker McArthur, Brooke, Brandon and Bone-brake all warmly championed the measto the committee on judiciary. The vote

by which this action was taken was not by roll call, but it was overwhelming. ure, which they declared was in the in-terest of the small and outlying school districts of the state, where under the TEN BILLS PASS IN SENATE

## Scholfield's Proposed Diking Tax

Law Meets Approval. JONES BILL IN NEW FORM STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Feb. 4.-(Spe-cial.)-Bills were passed by the Senate to-Ways and Means Committee Will day as fo.ows: 8 B 9 Scholfeld—Amending dikiny law so that a majority of the acreage rather than a majority of the landowners may vote a

## Recommend Substitute.

Seen in Statehouse Lobby.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Feb. 4 .-(Special.)—In the lobby today are: W. W. Cotton, representing the O. R. & N., as to the proposed 1 per cent tax on gross earnings of railroads.

count Senofsky, on the Portland con-

A. P. Tifft, on Supreme Court busi-

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as that a majority of the acreage raiser that a majority of the landowners may vote a diking tax. S. B. 34, Oliver-For publication of ad-vance sheets of the Supreme Court reports; 25 ayes, 2 nose. S. B. 62, Balley-Changing schedule of fees for factory inspection; 25 ayes, 2 nose. S. B. 74, Chass-Appropriating \$20,000 for hatcheries on streams south of the Columbia; 26 ayes, 2 nose. S. B. 111, Chase-Boundary between Coos and Curry counties; unanimous. H. B. 114, McCue-Regarding payment of legacies; unanimous. STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 4. -(Special)-Joint committee on ways and means tonight decided to recom-mend a substitute for a bill introduced by Representative Jones of Lincoln and Polk, extending until 1911 the time that the state's contingent appropriation of \$300,000 shall be available as a part of the purchase price of the Ore-gon City locks by the Government. The substitute bill will propose that the \$200,000 already raised for this legac

New Bills Before Senate. purpose under the terms of the bill passed at the 1907 session shall revert

Bills were introduced in the Senate today as follows:

yearly installments, beginning with the If the Government does not proceed to purchase the locks before 1911, then the Legislature which meets that year

day as follows: S. B. 202. Nottingham—To give black-smiths, carriage repairers and automobile re-pairers a lien for amount due. S. B. 203. Hart—Amending registration law so as to require that postoffice address of voter be given. S. B. 204, Smith of Umatilla (by request of State Board of Agriculture)—Giving State Fair Board right to use of convict labor on fair grounds.

 Fair grounds.
S. B. 205, Smith of Umatilia (by request of State Board of Agriculture)-Giving State Board of Agriculture unlimited right to have printing done.
B. 206, Norton-Telephone companies declared common carriers and requiring them The substitute bill, as recommended declared common carriers and requiring them to make connection with local and indepen-

by the ways and means committee, probably will be introduced either in the Senate or the House tomorrow. nt. S. E. 207. Norton-To correct defect in law garding levy of execution so as to harmon-with law requiring filling of certificate in vy of attachment on real property. S. E. 208. Abraham-To punish lewd co-bitation and fornication:

HOPGROWERS' BILL IS SLAIN

# Manner of Drafting Objected To by

**Revision** Committee. STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 4.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, OT. Feb. 4. —(Special.)—The House committee on revision of laws tomorrow will report unfavorably on the bill proposed by the hopgrowers of Salem proposing to ex-empt beer from the operation of the local option law, and providing for an election by precinct to decide whether or not this beverage shall be sold ex-clusive of whisky.

ness. T. H. Hendricks, urging a bill to cre-ate the office of State Architect. C. M. Idleman, accorded the courts-sies of the House. Jack Grant, on sailor boarding-house Fred Merrill, on boxing legislation. B. F. Mulkey, on Crater Lake wagon

BIG MAJORITY IN HOUSE

Election to Determine Whether Convention Shall Be Held Dated for June, 1911, in Case

Senate Concurs.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Feb. 4.-(Spe-

submitting to a vote of the people of the state the proposal to hold a constitu-tional convention passed the House this

afternoon by a vote of 40 to 17, three ab-sent. The election on this subject is to be held on the first Monday in June, 1911.

In urging the passage of his bill Mr. Buchanan said he was a firm believer in a state constitution that means some-

a state to unstitution that interns some thing. He deplored the system that had been established by which it was such an easy matter to amend the organic law of the state, and insisted that it was time for a convention of representa-tive citizens to meet and revise its con-stitution

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cial.)-Representative Bonebrake's

arles of otheers will advance automatio-ally. This will probably mean that salary changes will take place no offener than every fifth year, when the state or Federal census will be taken. It will probable have the offent of the lite will probably have the effect of arousing in-terest among county officers in a full and complete census.

Adverse Report on Coffey Bill.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Feb. 4.-(Spe statts carriers, saten, red, red, red, committee decided tonight to report adversely on Coffey's bill to provide for the revision and codification of the criminal laws of the state. The reason for the adverse report is that if it were passed an entire new code would have to be prepared and it was thought unwise to prepare a sep-arate codification of criminal laws.

nvestigate state institutions, each committee consisting of one Senator and two Representatives, were announced to-day by Speaker McArthur and President McArthur as follows:

McArthur as follows. State Reform School-Miller of Linn-Lane, Brattain, Jaeger. Penitentiary-Albee, Buchanan, Bean, Soldiers Home-Chase, Congers, Davis, University of Oregon-Cole, Carter, Bich-

Oregon Historical Society-Parrish, Far-I, Corrigan. rell, Corrigan. Boys and Girls' Aid Society-Bingham, Bones Hines Bones, Hines. Oregon School f Jones of Douglas, School for Deaf-Kellaher, Munkers,

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 4.-(Spe-cial.)-Herman Hartwig, wanted in Eu-gene, Or., on a charge of violating the liquor law, was taken from Vancouver to-day by Deputy Sheriff George Croner, of County. Hartwig refused to go Lane when first arrested, so requisition papers were accured.

The Traitor venture, Treason and the United States Secret Service. Illus-

Speaker McArthur took the floor and declared for the proposed convention, for the reason that the state no longer had a constitution, at least but a semblance of the original document. Campbell said that while he would vote against the convention when the special elec-tion should be held, he intended to sup-port the bill under consideration, for the reason that he believed the people should say whither or not their constitution should be revised by such a convention. Brooke remarked sarcastically that he favored the bill for the reason that he

favored the bill for the reason that he believed "in moving the State Capitol from Oregon City to Salem." Jones (Douglas), Dimick and Orton op-posed the bill for two reasons. In the first place they contended that the peo-ple already had a means of making de-sired changes in the constitution, and secondly, they objected to the proposed convention because of the additional exconvention because of the additional ex-pense to the taxpayers that would be involved by the two special elections pro vided in the bill in order to carry out its provisions.

The vote by which the bill passed was as follows

Ayes-Applegate, Bedillion, Relknap Bonebrake, Bones, Brady, Brattaln, Brooke, Buchanan, Calkins, Campbell, Carter, Clemens, Conyers, Corrigan, Davis Dodds, Eaton, Farrell, Greer, Haw-ley, Hines, Hughes, Jackson, Jaeger, Jones (Lincoln and Polk), Leinenweber. Mahone, Mahoney, Mann, Mariner, Mc-Cue, McKinney, Meek, Muncy, Purdin, Reynolds, Richardson, Smith and Speaker McArthur-40.

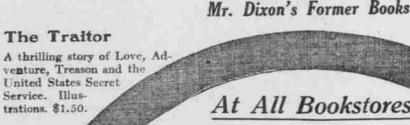
Noes-Abbott, Barrett, Brandon, Bry-ant, Couch, Dimick, Hatteberg, Jones (Douglas), Jones (Clackamas), Libby, McDonald, Miller, Munkers, Orton, Paton, Philpott and Rusk-17. Absent-Altman, Beals and Bean-3.

SALARY LAW IS OFFERED

Norton Would Fix Officials' Pay on

Sliding Scale.

STATE CAPITOL. Salem, Feb. 4.--(Special)--Senator Norton introduced a resolution this morning which is de-signed to reach a solution of the vexatious salary problem. His resolution



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Arthur to devise some permanent plan for examining the books and accounts of the various state institutions, de-

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clded to recommend the enactment of a bill to audit the books and accounts of not only state institutions, but also STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Feb. 4 .of the different countles of the state. (Special.)-Special joint committees to The details of the plan which will be worked out in the shape of a bill, will be decided upon at a subsequent meeting.

Hartwig Taken to Eugene.