the secretary.

RIGOROUS ASYLUN INQUIRY TO BEGIN

Both Houses of Legislature Order Strict Delving Into Its Management.

FOUTS AND STEINER CONFER

Supporters of Bowerman, Whose Speech Caused Investigation, Expect Rusk Men Will Whitewash Doctor-Fight Duc.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. M. (Special.)-Rigid and thorough investigation of the affairs and management of the Oregon State Insane Asylum was ordered by both the Senate and House in resolutions adopted today.

The Senate adopted a resolution probers, three from the House and two from the Senate, while the House provided for a special committee of five of its own members to conduct the inquiry.

Both resolutions instruct the investigating committees to make a report of their findings to the Legislature prior to

nless the two houses get together and all decide on a joint committee it is possi-ble an investigation may be conducted

by two separate committees.

Friends of Senator Bowerman, who furnished the foundation for making the proposed inquiry, do not wish in any way to influence the appointment of the committees to be named, but declare they will insist on having only fair and the state of the second of th impartial members officiate. For this reason it is not expected the Bowerman forces will undertake to interfere with the House resolution if an unprejudiced committee is selected from the House membership by Speaker Rusk, who said tenight he probably would name the committee temorrow.

Steiner Advocacy Expected.

There is a surpicion among the friends of Bowerman, however, that the House committee will favor Superintendent Steiner. This apprehension is based on the fact that Fouts, Rusk's chief lieuter the fact that Fouts, Runk's chief lieutenant in the House organization, passed the greater part of yesterday afternoon at the asylum in conference with Steiner. Furthermore if is charged by the Bowerman followers that influences have been brought to bear not only on Speaker Rusk, but on individual members of the House, to influence the appointment of a committee in the House that will be favorable to the asylum management. If vorable to the asylum management the House committee is not satisfactory to friends of Bowerman, they propose to lasist on its replacement by the joint committee provided in the Senate joint resolution adopted in the upper house

At any rate a final determination of the investigation and the personnel of the committee by which it shall be made promises to precipitate something of a scrap in one or both houses.

Nottingham's Figures Aid.

Senator Nottingham, who was chairman of the legislative investigating committee, has prepared figures which he believes may be of use to the com-mittee planned for the asylum in-

These show the amount of money expended at the Insane Asylum for cooks and bakers during the last biennial period, the total cost being \$9333.70. He has also prepared a comparative statement on figures submitted him by Superintendent James, of the penitentiary, in which it is shown that \$1080 was paid for cooks and bakers at that insti-tution. Estimating on a ratio of four to one, this being the comparative number in the penitentiary and the asylum as far as those supplied are concerned, a total of \$4320 is shown for the penitentiary for this expense, or practically cost at the penitentlary for cooks and bakers as at the asylum, based on the same number of people

Asylum Expense High.

Senator Nottingham considers the senator Nottingnam considers the sayling cost particularly high, as inmates are used in preparing vegetables and doing other menial service of that nature. At the penitientiary convicts have always been used to do the baking, but Superintendent James says he has never been able to hire a first-class cook for \$60 a month, the wages paid, but says he has succeeded in having the cooking done in a satisfactory manner. As a general rule, he says, it is difficult cure good cooks among the con-Figures on the asylum were prepared from the superintendent's biennial

War waged in the Senate this morn ing over a report on a resolution by Locke calling for a joint investigation of the affairs at the asylum, and the report was adopted only after a runng fire of arguments from both fac-

Prompt Inquiry Wanted.

The main objection to the resolution for investigation was the nature of the investigation called for. Many of the Senators declared themselves for an investigation which would be thorough and exhaustive, while on the other hand it was argued that, as specific charges had been made on the floor of the Senate as to mismanagement of affairs at the asylum, it was due in justice to the superintendent of the institution and to the people that these charges be fully in-vestigated and a report furnished the hegislature before it adjourned sine die. Bowerman, who made the epecific

Asylum Superintendent, said:

If did not charge by inference, nor in any way, that there was grafting at the asylum. But I did express strongly my views as to the wisdom of the policy extense in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in other hand. Senate with County then and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in the line of \$20,000 annually for topographic maps and surveys in \$20,00 ings and report their findings. On the her hand, Senator Wood and the other gentlemen who have spoken in favor of an extensive investigation, I believe are There are two fields to delve into and I believe there should be an investination of all the institutions, but I fur-her believe that the policy of manage-nent at the asylum should be thoroughly investigated and a report received by

Auto Cited as Sample.

Kellaher made reference to the automobile which the ways and means remonte ways and means remissed to authorize for purchase two
years ago and of the purchase subsequently made regardless of the committee's action and said there is reason for
the Legislature to believe that thousands
of dollars have been otherwise misap
House Bars Floor-Lobbying.

A resolution providing for investiga-tion of the State Board of Health, State Dairy and Food Commissioner and State Fish Commissioner, was reported A resolution providing for investigation of the State Board of Health, State
Dairy and Food Commissioner and State
Fish Commissioner, was reported unfavorably and the report was adopted.
Favorable report, with adoption, was received for a House resolution providing
for a committee to report on a system

STATE CAPITOL. Salem, Or., Jan.
28.—(Special.)—Lobbying by all persons
prohibited while the House is in zession by the terms of Representative
today. The Sergeant-at-sims is authorized to enforce the resolution.

of auditing for the institutions and to prepare a plan for an investigation. PENDLETON'S FATE IN SCALES

Legislative Committee Goes to Scan Proposed Asylum Site.

STATE CAPITAL Salem. Or., Jan. 26. — (Special.) — Senators Chase and Bean, and Representatives Mann. Bryant and Bonebrake, constituting the special Legislative committee to investigate and report upon the site selected for the branch asylum for the insane at Pendleton, left tonight for Pendleton.

An experienced engineer is known to be a committee but An experienced engineer is allowed to have accompanied the committee, but its members decline to disclose his identity. The particular mission of the committee is to determine whether or not the property purchased by the state for the branch institution affords a suitable site for building purposes. The committee expects to conclude its abors and return to Salem Monday.

Initiative Measures Will Be Interpreted, Abrams Proposes.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 26-(Special.)-Interpretation by the bers of the Supreme Court of the and constitutional meaning and effect of all initiative measures and a dissemina-tion of that information among the voters of the state prior to the election at which such measures are to be submitted to a vote, are the purposes of a bill introduced today by Representative Abrams. The provisions of the bill fol-

low:

Section 1—It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State before any general or special election, at which measures are to be submitted to the people for a decision, as soon as such measure or measures are presented to him, if accompanied by a proper number of signatures, to submit the same to the Supreme Court of the State of Oregon for proper investigation and explanation.

Section 2—It shall be the duty of the Supreme Court of the State of Oregon to Investigate the merits and effect of any and all bills submitted by the Secretary of State for consideration and to issue in a concise form 2n opinion as to the legality, constitutionality and effect of any and all features of such bill in case it becomes a law. Such opinion shall be delivered to the Secretary of State together with the bill, on or before such time as will enable him to comply with the laws now on the statute books, for delivery of same to State Printer. Section 3—It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to cause to be published in official pamphlet to be distributed among the legal voters of the state, following the printing of each law, the opinion of the Supreme Court as to the effect of such measure. Such opinion to occupy not to exceed one page of said pamphlet, the expense of said publication to be borne by the state. Provided, that in case the decision of the Supreme Court is that such a law or any portion of such law may be unconstitutional, the same shall not be placed on the ballot, nor printed in the official pamphlet, that he are shall be filed with the Secretary of State at least four and one-half months before the election at which they are to be voted upon. Section 1-It shall be the duty of the

MORE BILLS ARE INTRODUCED List of Measures Brought Before

House at Yesterday's Session. STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—New bills were introduced in the House today as follows: R. B. 217, Chatten (by request)-Regulating fishing for salmon in Willamette at Ore-

gon City.

H. B. 218. Pierce—Regulating fishing on Rogue River and its tributaries above Illi-

ing fishing for salmen in Willamette at Oregon City.

H. B. 218. Pierce—Regulating fishing on Rogue River and its tributaries above Illinois River.

H. B. 219. Westerlund—Fixing salaries of Jackson County officials.

H. B. 220. Cottel—Empowering State Board of Health to regulate sanitary condutions of growing, packing, handling and sale of oysters and other shell fish.

H. B. 221. Bryant—Making issuance of a check on a bank in which makes has no funds a felony.

H. B. 222. Bryant—Securing and perpetuating liens upon chattels for labor and materials expended thereon by liverymen, feed desires and common carriers.

H. B. 223. Clyde—Establishing labor employment agencies throughout the state.

H. B. 224. Glil—Providing method by which counties may issue bonds and warrants for permanent roads.

H. B. 225. Rackleff—Conferring on railiroad desporations the right to appropriate right de way through passes and canyons.

H. B. 226. Glil—Prohibiting sale of liquor within one mile of college or university in unincorporated towns.

H. B. 225. Touts (by request)—Creating Judge of Juvenile Court in Portland at salary of \$4000.

H. B. 225. Clemens—Prohibiting any one not a member to wear or display badge or button of any order or society.

H. B. 225. Glemens—Prohibiting any one not a member to wear or display badge or button of any order or society.

H. B. 226. Hencens—Prohibiting any one not a member to wear or display badge or button of any order or society.

H. B. 226. Glemens—Prohibiting any one not a member to wear or display badge or button of any order or society.

H. B. 226. The selection of state and commercial additional territory to the boundaries of any municipal corporation designated as a port.

H. B. 226. The selection of state and towns making own regulations, under control of Railroad Commission.

H. B. 221, Fours—Placing regulation of oblic utilities of state, save cities and swars making own regulations, under con-col of Railroad Commission. H. B. 222, Belknap and Thompson—Mak-ing it a crime to deposit refuse matter in pollute the waters of the Deschutes liver.

reservoirs.

H. B. 235, Reynolds (by request)—Protecting the ginseng industry and requiring inspection of all seed or root stock.

H. B. 236, Abrams—Authorising Supreme, Court to prepare concide statement giving legal and constitutional meaning of all initiative measures proposed, same to be published before election.

H. B. 237, Ambrose—Authorising county courts to make levy of not to exceed one-courts to make levy of not to exceed one-courts.

lished before election.

H. B. 237, Ambrose—Authorising county couris to make levy of not to exceed one-half of 1 mill for establishing and maintaining county libraries.

H. B. 268, Miller of Columbia—Prohibiting sale of liquor within one mile of a college or university in an unincorporated town.

H. B. 230, Thompson—Confirming the titls to certain swamp lands in the grantees of the State Land Board.

H. B. 240, Brownhill—Providing for publication in newspapers of all laws passed at general and special sessions of Legislature.

charges of mismanagement against the Asylum Superintendent, said:

I did not charge by inference, nor in any way, that there was grafile.

cording names of farms.

S. R. 10, Malarkey—Requiring husband and wife to join in petition for adoption of a child.
S. B. 47, Oliver—Fixing terms of court, Tenth Judicial District.

court. Tenth Judicial District.
S. B. 27, Nottingham—Permits me-chanics' liens to be enforced against S. B. 53, McCulloch-Fixing terms of Circuit Court in Eighth Judicial Dis-

S. B. 26. Oliver-Providing method for proving official documents.

S. B. 7. Burgess—Prohibiting sale and use of giant and cannon firecrack-

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan.

NATIONAL GUARD INQUIRY ORDERED

Sharp Investigation of Militia of Washington Is Plan of Lower House.

INCOME TAX LAW LIKED

VOTERS TO LEARN OF BILLS Legislature Ratifies Amendment to Constitution-Anti-Noise Bill Is Killed-Charges Against Soldiery Are Grave.

> OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 26.;-(Special.) Both bodies of the Washington Legslature today ratified the amendment to the Constitution of the United States as submitted to the several states, providing for an income tax.

> The House postponed indefinitely the bill relating to the abolishment of cap-ital punishment. The Senate passed a bill regulating ne conduct of courts not of record.
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> The Senate adopted resolutions rati-

> fying the purchase of the steel bridge across the Columbia River at Wenat-chee for \$125,000.

The House passed a concurrent reso-lution demanding a complete investiga-tion of the National Guard.

The sensation of the day was sprung in the House late in the afternoon when Representative Goss of King introduced a resolution calling for an investigation of the affairs of the State Militia, its officers and all departments connected with the Guard.

connected with the Guard.

Buchanan of Spokane opposed the procedure on the ground that all previous investigating committees had created large expenses in their work without giving satisfactory results and that the proposed investigation would result in a "whitewash, with an additional expense incurred."

Inquiry Is Ordered.

There was but little opposition, how ever, to the resolution and it passed

almost unanimously.

"There seems to be no question that the present condition of the National Guard of this state is in a disrupted and unsettled condition," said Goss. "This is due primarily to political factions within the organization, causing the resignation of some of the best officers and men and throug personal

prejudice others have been removed arbitrarily and without cause.

There is good reason to believe that there have been irregularities in the conduct of the affairs of the militia. We have been unable to have the books of the officers investigated. and records of the officers investigated, although various attempts have been although various attempts have been made to do so."

Five to Probe Guard.

The resolution provides that the com mittee include two members of the Senate and three of the House and that a complete investigation be made and report be submitted to both bodies of the Legislature as early as possible. Reeves Aymore and Jack Sullivan, an atterney base filed charges with the attorney, have filed charges with the House, declaring that the Adjutant-General is not legally in possession of his office as he had been detailed from the retired list; that the funds appropriated by the Legislature have no been properly cared for; that Adju-tants-General received state funds, upon blanket warrants which have been placed to their private bank accounts and as a result of this system many men enlisted and later withdrawn have not received their pay, the fund accru-ing to the benefit of the Adjutant-General; that fully one-half of the enlisted men are allowing their enlist-ments to terminate on account of the demoralized state of affairs.

Abolishment Seems Probable.

In discussing the subject many members of the House decried the efforts of some of the legislators to procure appropriations for new armories in different parts of the state. It now seems that the Senate will concur with

support of the bill he said:

"There is no doubt that the deportment of the judges of some of the lower courts can be greatly improved. Bulldozing and browbeating methods have often been resorted to when accused persons have been brought before the bar. This has happened in the courts in Spokane that are not of record and I am sure it has happened at other places. other places.

Upbraiding Is Condemned.

Those Agreed Upon.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 26.

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(Special)—The following bills were to the passed by the House today:

In the passed by the House "It is time that the code of ethica he established in these courts. Instead of a Police Court judge upbraiding

tive Is Adopted.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 26.— (Special.)—The House today adopted Senator Calkins' joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment providing for a Lieutenant-Governor. Before doing so the House adopted an amendment pro-viding that the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be next in the order of succession to the Governor's chair, in event of death, absence from the state or disability, after the Lieu-tenant-Governor and president of the Senate has served.

As amended, the resolution will be re-turned to the Senate for its concurrence. The resolution will be submitted to the people of the state in the general elec-tion in Novmber, 1912.

Bill Compels Officials to Turn Bal-

28 .- (Special.)-Under a bill that oper ates in conjunction with the bill re-quiring the Secretary of State to pass on all vouchers and audit all accounts, provision is made that all commissions, boards, corporations or any other state organization having power to disburse

state funds, shall turn over all such un-expended money to the State Treasurer. This money is to be credited to the commission or board handing it over. Newspaper Attack.

commission or board handing it over, and shall thereafter transfer the same only upon a warrant drawn by the Secretary of State.

Preparation of the bill was largely actuated by the alleged conditions of the State Dairy and Food Commission, funds for that commission being in the hands of the State Treasurer but being drawn upon immediately by the commissioner without a warrant from the secretary.

MORE NEW BILLS IN SENATE Who Want Separate Com-List of Measures Introduced at Sesmission for Portland. sion of Yesterday.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 26. —(Special.)—New bills were introduced in the Senate today as follows:

S. B. 167, substitute for S. B. 46—Relating to the advance publication of Supreme Court reports.

ing to the advance publication of Supreme Court reports.

S. B. 168, by McCulloch—Providing for a parole board consisting of three members.

S. B. 109, by Albee-Causing timetables to be published in newspapers of towns where railroad stations are located.

S. B. 179, by Benn—Relating to the service of summons.

S. B. 171, by Bean—Amending the trademark registration law.

S. B. 173, by Nottingham—Providing no time or sulphur of specific gravity less than 20 degrees be sold for appaying purposes.

S. M. 174, by Dimick—Providing for depositing with State Treasurer excess of state funds. funds.

8. B. 175. by Barrett of Washington-Pro-viding for conveying water along public

widing for conveying water along public highways. S. B. 176, by Miller -Providing for creation of drainage districts. S. B. 177, by Maiarkey—Making unknown heirs subject of suit. S. B. 178, by Joseph—Allowing County Courts in counties of over 50,000 population to aid agricultural fairs and associations. tions.
S. B. 179, by Joseph—Providing for bends for those entering into contracts with state to build or repair public buildings. S. B. 180, by Sinnott-Naming terms of County Court in Wasoo County.

Solons to Ask Sportsmen.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 25. (Special.)—Sportsmen of the state are invited to appear before a joint meeting of the game committee next Tuesday night, when legislation affecting the game interests of the state will be considered. Most important of these measures is the bill which proposes the great ures is the bill which proposes the creation of a State Board of Fish and Game Commissioners, which shall have full charge of the fish and game interests of the state and empowered to enforce all of the laws pertaining to the same.

Bill Provides Parole Board.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 26 (Special.)—Under the provisions of a bill introduced by Senator McCulloch this afternoon, a parole is created and in all cases where it is discretionary to use the indeterminate sentence at the pres-ent time the bill provides that this shall be mandatory. The bill is fathered by Governor West. The parole board is to consist of the Superintendent of the Penitentiary and two other members to be appointed by the Governor.

Crawford to Ask for Collector. STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 26.— Special.)—Attorney-General Crawford, in (Special.)—Attorney to a House foint resolution to be introduced tomorrow, will ask the Legislature to authorize him to enter into a contract with a Washington attorney to assist in collecting for the State of Oregon a balance of about \$70,000 due the state for Clark Was claims. Civil War claims.

AWARD OF \$25,000 FOR CEN-TENNIAL RETURNED

for Celebration and Demand Reconsideration.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 26 .- (Special.) -Allow but \$25,000 for the Astoria Centennial celebration instead of \$100,000, as asked in Lester's Senate bill reported back with the decrease, created a storm of opposition from many of the Senators this morning and the report was finally recommitted with the inwas finally recommitted with the in-structions that \$109,000 be incorporated

see.

B. 283, Thompson—Confirming title to go acres of swamp land in the Warner lay Stock Company.

B. 284, Paterson (by request)—Giving he United States and the state power to ide for granting rights of way over a lands for ditches, canals, flumes and revoirs.

B. 235, Reynolds (by request)—Promage the ginseng industry and requiring entlon of all seed or root stock.

Seems that the Senate Will concur with the House on the question, and it is not unlikely that the National Guard to tunlikely that the National Guard to this state will be put out of business entirely.

In the Senate this morning the conduct of pudges of courts not of record and police court lawyers was the subject that consumed the whole session. When the bill providing for punishment of judges guilty of using unfit his attitude. as the appropriation.

"Clackamas County seems to object to "Clackamas County seems to object to every appropriation." he said, "and I suppose if we appropriated \$5 to pur-chase a rake with which to rake the moss from the backs of our Clackamas friends they would raise a howl."

Dimick said he could see in the arguments of Joseph that the bill was mainly in behalf of Portland and deep water. Oliver, Locke and McCulloch all spoke in behalf of the bill.

FOUTS FIGHTS FOR GIRL CLERK

Young Woman Is Dismissed After Protracted Refusal.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 26.

—(Special.)—The dismissal of two
young women clerks in the House almost upset the Legislature. One of the clerks accepted her dismissal without protest and quit.

Relying on the assurance of one of the Representatives who aided in se-curing her the place, the other young woman refused to resign and continued in her position. She maintained this in her position. She maintained this attitude of defiance until today, when Chief Clerk Corey, of the Secretary of State's office, ordered here peremptorily out of the building. She then ceased frequenting the legislative halls in the performance of her work.

Representative Fouts is reported to here interceded for one of the girls—

have interceded for one of the girls— the one finally dismissed today. Fouts has threatened to take the matter to the floor of the House, but it is understood that the threat will not be exe-

Oil-Paintings of Two Asked.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. STATE CAPITOL. Salem. Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Through the adoption of a House concurrent resolution, introduced by the resolutions committee, the House today approved the purchase by the state of oil pertraits of ex-Governor Benson and ex-Acting-Governor Bowerman, to be exhibited in either the House of Sanete chambers. The resolution or Senate chambers. The resolution goes to the Senate for its favorable ac-tion before the paintings will be or-

House Passes White Slave Bill.

MEASURE GUARDS STATE COIN

Bill Compels Officials to Turn Balances Over to Treasurer.

STATE CAPITOL. Salem. Or., Jan.

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Malarkey Caustic in Reply to

BLAME LAID ON BOURNE

Senator Says Public Service Bill Is Opposed Chiefly by Those

STATE CAPITOL. Salem, Or., Jan. 26.— (Special.)—Rising to a point of personal privilege in the Senate this morning. Senator Malarkey, of Portland, attacked what he termed unreliable and vicious newspapers, and repudiated the asser-tions made against him in the Portland Daily News of Tuesday, under the head-line, "Is Dan Malarkey a Traitor?" Incidentally, he placed with Jonathan

Incidentally, he placed with Jonathan Bourne some of the animus of the ar-ticle, declaring. "I know that the man who serves in the Legislature today and raises his voice against the 'Lori's annointed' who sits back in Washington, must become a victim of his bitter

Senator Malarkey sald:
"I am not so new in public life as to be thin-skinned. He who aspires to serve the public fearlessly and without favor is Hable to become the target of the irresponsible and blackmailing newspaper reporter and the victim of the victous and lying newspaper. Inasmuch as these and similar lies have been re-ported in the press and have been spread about through the Senate chamber in an attempt to influence the Senators against the public service corporation bill which I have introduced, I take this occasion, and I deem it my duty to explain to the Senators the position in which I now stand.

stand. Bill Is Well Considered

"The article declared that I had been in conference for three hours with dent Josselyn, of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, at the rooms of the Portland Commercial Club, and by strong insinuation and inference inby strong institution and interested in-timated that I was working hand and glove with the corporate interests to se-cure the passage of this bill. That bill was framed by Rallroad Commissioner Aitchison, in many conferences with me, after leading authorities had been looked into and after I had conferred many times with Governer West formerly a times with Governor West, formerly a member of the State Railroad Commission. It is framed after the laws of Wisconsin and New York. So far as I know it has its only opposition among those who are in favor of giving to Portland a-Public Service Commission. of its own. The only reason I can see why these patriotic citizens of Portland should desire that city to have a com mission of her own is that they are will-ing to serve the people of Portland at the rate of \$500 per annum. There is only one way to regulate public service corporations properly and that is in line with a state-wide policy.

Portland Railway Opposed.

"I am not talking here from a feeling of petty pride. But I say that the article in the newspaper mentioned was inspired by persons who knew that the statements were false, and an attempt was made to make me appear as aiding corporations by this measure, when, in fact, I know that Franklin T. Griffith, of the Perland Balliwey, Light & Power the Portland Raliway, Light & Power Company, has asked for a personal hear-ing before the committee on railroads that he might urge objections to the bill. The statement in that newspaper was a malicious, deliberate and an entire falsehood. I have never at any time or at any place been in conference with any member of any public service corporation for three hours or for three s

on a question relative to public service corporation bills.
"I believe the reporter knew he lied when he wrote the article; the publisher knew he lied when he published it and the men who inspired it knew that they lied when they inspired it. When Josselyn, Griffith or any other public service corporation man wishes to confer with me on any question concerning his corporation was the Shoratest to the Shoratest who was the Shoratest terms and the Shoratest terms are the Shoratest terms are the Shoratest terms and the Shoratest terms are the Shoratest ter tion and comes to my seat in the Senate or to my office for a respectful discussion of anything whatsoever, they will be granted an interview. The time is past when legislators should be afra'd of meeting public service men on a common record and I am not afraid of it."

ground, and I am not afraid of it. Fouts Offers Opposing Bill.

Solution of the public service commission question was further complicated to-day through the introduction of another bill on the subject by Fouts, of Multnomah. In its principal provisions the bill is identical to that of the Malarkey bill in the Senate. It differs essentially from the Senate bill, however, in that it proposes to give to the railroad commission. poses to give to the railroad con the regulation of public utility tions throughout the state, except where incorporated towns have or may pre-scribe regulations for the control of such corporations. The real effect and probable purpose of the bill is, if possible, to displace the Malarkey measure, provides for statewide regulation of lic service concerns. This would be in the interest of the initiative bill for the

"I had been given up to die by three of our best doctors,

I could not stand it to be on my feet and I was so swelled in the

abdomen I could hardly breathe. But thanks to Dr. Miles' Heart Remedy and Nervine I am able to be about the streets, a walking advertisement of the curative qualities of your remedies, although I am 70 years old."

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the buyer but \$195-and the \$300 piano \$160-Our \$450 piano \$215-Our \$500 fancy cabinet grand only And our \$600 concert upright \$235. style) case for \$295-and this is one of the costliest and finest pianos pro- | We can only through printer's ink

duced in any factory. Who ever pays more than \$295 for any piano in upright form, pays that we, in this sale, are throwing the somebody a profit. We don't care public a "lifeline"—so far as pianos who made it, or what it's made of, are concerned—and they can't see it, where it comes from, or what its name or don't know it, and are still runis. \$295 will build the best upright

piano of anybody's make. You don't have to pay any more than \$295 for our finest upright concert grand piano at this sale, and it is in every particular the peer of any \$600 piano sold in this city-No matter how old a name its got, or how

you spell it. The "Cote" piano is built of the finest materials, and by the best skilled workmen, and will last a lifetime. We build these pianos in our own factory at Fall River, Mass., where we build 10,000 pianos a year, and we don't believe anybody can build them any better.

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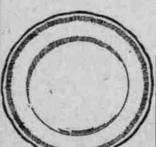
The letter received by President Selling was the same that appeared in The Oregonian of yesterday and the following reply was read to the Senate by President Selling and posted:

Senate President Apologizes for "Stolen-Bill" Assertion.

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