

INSURANCE CODE TO BE WITHDRAWN

Senate Committee Agrees With Hollis and Will Oust S. B. 38.

APPLAUSE GREET'S ACTION

Large Delegation of Portland Business and Insurance Men Meet at Salem and Find Measure Now Will Be Missing.

WASHINGTON TO MEET OREGON SUNDAY TO ACT ON CELLULOSE FALLS PROBLEM.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Governor West today received and turned over to Senator Day the following telegram from Governor Lister of Washington: "Sunday, February 2, at 9 A. M., at the Imperial Hotel, Portland, will be satisfactory to our committee, and think the suggestion to proceed to the Dalles at 10 A. M. should be carried out."

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Chairman Hollis, of the Senate Insurance committee, today performed a feat which has won the applause of business men from Portland at a meeting of the Senate committee tonight to discuss Senate bill 38, or the insurance code, by declaring that he will ask unanimous consent of the Senate tomorrow to withdraw the bill.

Immediately, Senator Mosser moved that the committee report Mosser moved in favor of withdrawing the bill. This was seconded by Senator Carson and so the committee decided to report. The bill will be withdrawn in the Senate tomorrow, to appear no more this session.

The large delegation of Portland business men broke into loud applause at the announcement and the meeting which was scheduled to continue for a long period adjourned within five minutes after it had convened and the visiting business men went away happy.

Little Chance of Passage. Mr. Hollis explained that the Commission had given considerable thought to the bill, but there appeared to be a misunderstanding among the members of the House and the Senate and that owing to such a strong lobby against it, the members were prejudiced against the bill and there seemed little chance of its passage.

In consequence he had decided to recommend that it be withdrawn and in the way of suggestion, ask that the question of an insurance code go over again for two years. In the interim, he said, another commission could be appointed, but this time a commission representing all classes and all interests in any way connected or interested in the business of insurance.

The Insurance Commission, as appointed, would then have two years to work on and draft a bill which would meet the approval of every kind and class of business men.

The array of Portland business men, intermingled with business men from a number of Oregon cities, were alligned strongly against the bill, particularly as to the inter-insurance feature which it contains.

Protest is Widespread. For this reason they had appeared tonight to make a protest. R. D. Carpenter, of the Miller & Frank Company, was to have been the spokesman, but the decision of Chairman Hollis and of the insurance committee resulted in doing away with the necessity of any showing being made.

Undoubtedly the bill had not the slightest chance of ever getting by the Senate. But one or two Senators were known to have been in favor of it. Largely because of its interinsurance feature, much because of numerous other provisions and largely because of the length of the bill, legislators were inclined to fight shy of favoring it.

The Portland business men were busy as bees here much of the day. If the bill had a ray of hope yesterday, and there was not much to be seen, that ray was today, it is dead.

Hollis was the recipient of numerous congratulations from the visiting delegation and all of these here promised that they would be glad to cooperate in drafting insurance legislation to come before the session two years from now.

Those who were present at the committee meeting tonight were the following: Judge Bell, B. C. Wortman, Olds, Wortman & King; E. C. Johnson, Portland Seed Company; H. J. Frank, Hunsinger-Frank Drug Company; H. W. Mitchell, Mitchell, Lewis & Staver; R. D. Carpenter, Meier & Frank Company; Edward Ehrman, Mason-Ehrman Company; Jay Smith, Marshall-Wells Hardware Company; I. H. Fleischer, Fleischer, Mayer & Co.; Paul DeHass, Dougherty Shoe Company; A. M. Compton, Allen & Lewis; T. S. Belcher, Falls City Lumber Company; J. W. Johnson, John Ewe Flow Company; R. W. Wilbur, Wilbur & Spencer; Harry Clark, Manufacturing Lumbermen's Underwriters; W. H. Fleming, Manufacturing Wood Workers Underwriters; Mr. Bees of the Reese Columbia Trust Company, and Mr. Nickerson, of Portland; Mr. Goodman, of the Churchill Hardware Company; Roseburg; Hugh G. Kinser, Forest Grove, and G. W. Griffin, Eugene.

AUTO HIGHWAY FUND SOUGHT

Spencer Introduces Supplementary Bill to Aid Roads.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—To create a state automobile highway fund, to prescribe the sources and manner of expenditure, and to empower the State Highway Commission with the right of eminent domain, are the purposes of a bill introduced this afternoon by Representative Spencer, of Multnomah. It is a supplementary bill to one introduced by him this morning, proposing to create a state highway board and the office of State Highway Commissioner. This afternoon's bill provides that any money remaining in the motor vehicle fund on December 31 of each year shall be transferred to the state automobile highway fund, or a similar fund, to be expended under the direction of the State Highway Commissioner for the construction of trunk highways with special appropriation by the Legislature.

All moneys becoming available for

WOMAN'S WAR FOR BILL HOUSE

After Hard Fight and Much Oratory Fair Sex Law-maker Scores.

Saloons in Depots Prohibited. STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Under amendments which have been made to the Hoskins bill in the Senate regulating the sale of liquor near depots, the bill now prohibits the location of a saloon in any depot, under the same roof as the depot, or in an adjacent building.

Originally the bill was intended to prohibit saloons from being located within 300 feet of a depot. The bill is also amended to exclude drug stores from its provisions.

SENATE IS CRITICISED

EASTERN OREGON MEMBERS BECOME RESTLESS. Ragsdale and Stewart Promise Break Into Spotlight in Connection With Appropriations.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Senators Ragsdale and Stewart, new Senators from Eastern Oregon, who have remained somewhat in the background, promise to break into the legislative spotlight in the next few days, unless some definite business steps are taken in connection with the appropriation bills, according to the declaration of those two Senators today.

They are protesting against the failure of any appearance of the appropriation requests in a tangible form so that the members of the legislative body are able to determine just what is being done in the financial line.

"If some of these men conducted their business as the business of the session is being conducted they would be bankrupt in six weeks," was the tart statement of Senator Ragsdale in commenting on the present situation.

He insists that on every member's desk should be a complete statement as to the amount of appropriations that have been asked for or will be asked for so that we can be prepared to take intelligent action.

"The main business of a legislative session is the disposition of the people's money. So far apparently the members are armed with scoop shovels and keys to the public treasury with intent to empty it as fast as they can."

One of the main protests is that the big appropriation questions are mainly held in committee and have not come before the members in any shape or form.

This condition is also arousing some of the other members to a spirit of protest and it is possible in the next few days some demand may materialize for the appropriation bills to be brought to light and put before the body as a whole.

It is beginning to be feared by some of them that the custom of the past of rushing the larger appropriation bills in at the last minute, when there is scarcely any time to digest them, may be followed up this session.

FISHING WAR HOVERING

COLUMBIA RIVER FACTIONS BEHIND BILLS IN LEGISLATURE.

Measure to Limit Seining and One to Change Closed Season Part of Private Fights is Belief.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Signs indicate that a fishing war will break over this Legislature among the various factions on the Columbia River and there are reports that attempts will be made to fight out some private grudges through legislation.

The Carpenter bill, which has been introduced in favor of more liberal fishing on the upper Columbia, or that portion of the river east of the Cascade Locks. At the same time it is understood that never river men will extend the time of the closed season. The closed season now is from March 1 until May 1. The bill probably will be reduced so as to extend from March 1 to April 15. The fishermen are not all a unit on this, however, as some desire to fishing "out" the month of March eliminated from the closed season and there are others who wish to see the month of April eliminated.

Over the closed season is changed and Washington passes no concurrent law, then it is stated, the old fight between the fishing interests of Oregon and Washington may break forth anew.

The move to do away with seining on the upper Columbia, is said by those who are supposed to be behind the scenes, to be part of an old time feud between I. H. Taffe, a fisherman, and F. A. Seufert, a fisherman.

Some desire to fishing "out" for years, it is said, and it is further claimed that Taffe is behind the bill to do away with seining to catch Seufert.

Likewise the cannermen are opposed to seeing a change in the closed season, or at least many of them are.

PROTECTION IS BILL'S AIM

Measure Would Aid Holders of Fire Insurance Policies.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—A bill having for its purpose the "protection of the holders of policies of fire insurance and to discourage improper practices of insurers," as recited in the title, provision is made that every holder of such an insurance policy shall receive 25 per cent of the actual loss, regardless of any provision in the contract or policy to the contrary.

This is with the proviso that the insurer belonged to any tariff association, board of underwriters, or such like thing, or who had made an agreement or had an understanding with any other person, firm or corporation about any particular rate of premium which should be charged for any kind or class of insurance risk.

Valley Dentists May Organize.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—An association of the dentists of the central part of the Willamette Valley will be formed in this city Saturday. Dr. C. V. Littler, of this city, who is an officer in the State Dental Association has sent out the call for the meeting.

Dr. George H. Warr, of Portland, president of the State Dental Association, will attend the meeting.

WOMAN'S WAR FOR BILL HOUSE

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Washington Upper House, by Unanimous Vote, Passes Sweeping and Drastic Measure Aimed to Restrict Promiscuous Selling.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—The first real fight to be waged by a woman on the floor of the Washington Legislature and the first victory to be scored was that today by Mrs. Frances Astell, Representative from Bellingham, who, after a hard fight and much oratory, saved one of her pet bills, which appeared in the House with the recommendation of a committee that it be pigeonholed.

The bill provides for the elimination of the "prevailing" character provision of the statutory law. The public morals committee, after considering it, reported unfavorably and a motion was made to adopt the report but Mrs. Astell rushed to the rescue of the measure.

"There is no reason for such a committee report," urged Mrs. Astell, "and I protest against this report. The bill has been checked up by the Attorney-General and it is all right."

Continuing a plea for the bill, Mrs. Astell won enough votes to defeat the committee report and get her bill referred to the judiciary committee.

Senate Vote Unanimous. By unanimous vote the Senate of the Washington Legislature today passed a bill prohibiting the sale, barter or giving away by any person, firm or corporation of a pocket pistol or revolver unless the purchaser shall have secured a purchasing permit from a judge of a Municipal or Superior Court of the state.

Before a judge can issue such a permit he must be presented with affidavits from at least two reputable citizens vouching for the good reputation and record of the purchaser.

The measure, which was originated by Senator Collins, is aimed to restrict the sale of firearms and thereby lessen the number of murders, holdups and suicides by shooting. Before it was finally passed by the Senate it was amended so as to require permits from judges instead of chiefs of police or Sheriffs as was originally provided in the bill.

Piper Amendment Carries. The change was made on motion of Senator Piper, who declared that if there is to be a restriction of the fire arm traffic it should be drastic and sweeping in its effect. He declared that peace officers are not as careful as they should be in giving permits to carry concealed weapons and would not be careful in issuing purchasing permits. The Piper amendment carried.

An amendment prohibiting the display of firearms in show windows was also adopted.

"What we want," declared Collins in explaining his bill, "is to lessen the amount of crime in the state. If we make it impossible for the holdup man, the burglar or the maniac to purchase a revolver on the spur of the moment we will lessen the amount of crime. The majority of shootings, cuts and stabbings are committed by men who have a revolver which was not available or if time were required before a gun could be purchased."

Lister Likely to Approve. It is believed that the House will pass the bill and that it will be signed by the Governor.

The Senate committee on game today introduced a bill providing for the establishment of a complete state fish and game department with board of commissioners, a state game warden and deputy wardens in each county. Provision is made for the establishment of hunting and fishing licenses for counties and for the state at large, the county license to cost \$1 a year and the state license \$5 a year to residents of the state and \$10 for non-residents.

The bill gives the game commission the power to create game refuges and game farms and to raise various species of game and animals. The bill is a compromise on a bill introduced in the Senate last week creating a game commission.

Reformatory Probe Asked. A resolution was adopted by the Senate today for an investigation of the State Reformatory at Monroe. The investigation will be upon the question of the care of inmates and the general management of the institution, a moral and financial standpoint.

A resolution was introduced by Senators Leonard and Wende, memorializing congress to extend through the Reinter National Forest to connect with a highway proposed to extend from Spokane to Seattle through North Bend, Snoqualmie Pass, Easton, Ellensburg, Wenatchee, Walla Walla and The Dalles.

The resolution was referred to the memorial committee. The House today passed a bill making it possible for county commissioners to employ scientific agriculturists to instruct farmers and others in the art of improving crops. The measure was sought by the agricultural communities, which desire the counties to pay for scientific labor, which is now being paid by public subscription.

Among bills introduced in the Senate today was one by Rosenbaum providing for the creation of a state editing board to examine and edit all reports and literature ordered published by state officials.

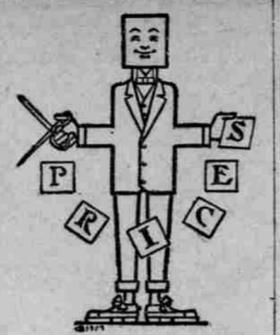
"Strikebreaker" Use Sought. Another was introduced by Campbell requiring use of the word "strikebreaker" in advertisements soliciting workmen to take the places of strikers.

A bill was introduced by Senator Piper, of King County, which would require all directors and executive officers of railroad companies operating in Washington to ride over all their main and branch lines in this state on their regular trains and cars at least once a year. Private cars and special trains are to be prohibited.

The bill provides that the officials shall have the same seats and conveniences or inconveniences that regular passengers are required to use. The officials are required by the bill to stop at all stations and hear complaints about service or accommodations and are required to investigate.

The much-talked-of first aid bill, giving to injured workmen more benefits and quicker relief than is provided in the present workmen's compensation act or industrial insurance bill, was introduced in the Senate by Cotten. The bill provides that all employees and employers shall be assessed to raise the money to furnish the first aid relief to employees.

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organizations of the state on the ground that the bill places an enormous additional burden upon them. They will either try to kill the bill or plan to alter or shift the financial responsibility off onto the state.

The labor unions and granges of the state are said to be behind the first aid measure.

It was announced today that the committee appointed to look into the ownership of dock and wharf property in Puget Sound cities will have completed the investigation and be ready to report its findings to the House tomorrow.

LAND SWINDLE IS SEEN

AREA IN LITIGATION "SOLD" TO UNWARY.

Roseburg Office, Flooded With Inquiries, Issues Statement Telling of Existing Conditions.

ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 29.—On account of the hundreds of inquiries that are reaching the Roseburg Land Office concerning the opening of the Oregon and California Railroad lands to settlement and in view of the fact that hundreds of prospective settlers are apparently being swindled by unscrupulous persons operating in various parts of the country, Register B. E. Jones and Receiver G. W. Riddle, of the United States Land Office at Roseburg, are sending out correct information, which is in part as follows:

"In regard to the character of lands subject to entry in this district under the homestead laws and the timber and stone act, we desire to state that the lands now open for settlement in this district are composed of hills, mountains, small valleys, benches and bottom lands, all of which lands are practically covered with timber and brush of some kind. The soil is good and when the timber and brush are removed the land will produce good crops. Fruit, such as apples, pears, cherries and all kinds of berries do exceedingly well. The country is well watered, nearly every canyon or depression in the hills or mountains affording a clear running brook or spring. In the higher hills and mountains snow very seldom lies on the ground longer than from one to three days at a time. In the coast counties, small streams flow from about October 15 to about April 15, during which time there are as many clear and cloudy days as there are rainy ones.

The coast counties, including Coos, Curry, Lincoln and the western portions of Douglas and Lane counties, are good and dry farming counties. The grass growing green the year round.

"Josephine and Jackson counties are noted for their fruit production. On July 1, 1912, there was in the district 294,340 acres of unappropriated Government lands subject to entry, distributed as follows: Lincoln County, 3567; the great portions of Lincoln and Benton counties are in the Portland district; Klamath, 668; the greater portion of Douglas County being in the Lakeview district; Coos, 18,037; Curry, 34,457; Douglas, 32,333; Jackson, 50,191; Josephine, 47,222; Lane, 14,129.

"We are in receipt of hundreds of letters from people in nearly every state of the Union asking for information concerning the lands, many of the writers claiming to have paid so-called locators various sums of money ranging from \$50 to \$2000 for the desired land, and that they are entitled to this land, with the understanding that the lands are now open for settlement, the Government having won the suit against the so-called locators.

"To all such inquirers we would say that the said suit is still pending in the United States Circuit Court in Portland, Or., and that when a decision is rendered by said court in all probability the case will be appealed to the Supreme Court of the United States for final settlement."

DALLAS FOLK CONFIDENT

Hope to Secure Union Religious College Spurs Citizens On.

DALLAS, Or., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Though several cities in Oregon and Washington are making strong efforts to secure the location of the consolidated college, to be backed by the Evangelical Church, the Evangelical Association and the United Brethren Church, in which will be merged the Dallas College, LaCresole Academy and Philomath College, the citizens of Dallas feel confident that the big school will be located here.

The representatives of the Evangelical Church, who are perhaps taking the lead in the matter, are in favor of locating in Dallas. An attempt is now being made here to raise \$15,000 for endowment purposes. It is believed that owing to the present endorsement of the Dallas College of \$5000, and to the value of the grounds and buildings now held by the trustees of the college, \$15,000 as an additional endowment fund offered on the part of Dallas citizens will appeal to the board appointed to select a location. Dur-

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State Fair Board is Name Sought. STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—A bill introduced in the Senate today by Senator Hawley, of the friendly suit brought to test the constitutionality of the charter amendment creating the Oregon State Fair from the State Board of Agriculture to the State Fair Board. In addition to this bill, if passed as introduced, re-enacts the provision that the State Fair shall be located at Salem

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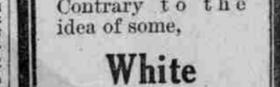
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Liability Act Set for Saturday.

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