

RIGHTS OF COUNTIES UPHOLD BY SENATE

Privilege of Rejecting Bids and Doing Work Under Court Supervision Is Favored.

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Charge Made That Contractors Are Not Treated Fairly in Estimating on Interstate Span and 'Steam Roller' Is Intimated.

FRIDAY DRY VOTE DAY

—(Special.)—That contractors had not been furnished with specifications in time to make the necessary arrangements for bidding on the Interstate Bridge to connect Vancouver and Portland, was the charge made by Senator Day today in a debate on a bill introduced by Senator Garland giving County Courts the right to build bridges costing more than \$500 when they were not satisfied with bids received.

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Lewis before the House this afternoon, will have to be defenseless a while longer, for the House sent his public defender bill to an inglorious end. The measure would have applied to Multnomah County only and would have provided an official with a salary of \$500 a year to defend all persons charged with criminal offenses and not able to engage legal counsel for themselves. The defender also would have acted as counsel for the Board of Education and as adviser to poor persons in civil cases.

Representative Littlefield, also of Multnomah, attacked Mr. Lewis' argument this morning. He ridiculed the present-day tendencies to "paint a halo of glory around the criminal" and to waste sympathy on such individuals. Representative Lowman also opposed the bill. The favorable vote was small.

COYOTE PEST MEMORIAL ADOPTED.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—A joint resolution memorializing the United States Department of Agriculture to investigate the coyote pest of Eastern Oregon was adopted by the Senate today. The resolution is the result of the reports of an epidemic of rabies among the animals.

SPEAKER SETS TIME FOR ARGUMENT OVER ACT.

Through Expected to Hear Calling of Roll on Prohibition Measure—Unusual House Vote Author's Hope.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—At 2 o'clock Friday afternoon the prohibition bill will be a special order of business in the House. That period was fixed by Speaker Seligson this morning upon suggestion of Chairman Littlefield, of the alcoholic traffic committee, to accommodate a large number of persons in Portland and in various other parts of the state who want to be present when the roll is called.

The measure as amended was read before the House this morning for the second time. The complete bill has been engrossed and the amendments are being printed. Representative Anderson, of The Dalles, who introduced the measure and who is a member of the Committee of One Hundred, said this morning that he does not expect to offer any lengthy arguments in favor of it, as he doesn't consider it necessary.

There is no opposition to the bill," he said, "and a discussion only would take up the time of the House. It ought to pass unanimously and I believe it will." It is understood that one or two members of the House who are not particularly in favor of prohibition are preparing to be absent from the House to answer "urgent telephone calls" at the time the roll is called, but Representative Stewart, of the alcoholic committee, will insist on a call of the House before the vote is taken and demand that every man be in his seat when the roll is called.

REDISTRICTING BILLS WAIT

Action Depends on Court-Reorganization Measure.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—All House bills providing for redistricting of judicial districts have been referred to the judiciary committee, pending action on the bill introduced in the Senate by President Thompson, providing for a reorganization of the judicial system of the state.

At least four redistricting plans have been proposed in the House. One provides for separation of the First District, comprising Clatsop and Jackson counties, into two separate districts; another for separation of the Fifth District so that Clatsop and Columbia counties will comprise one district and Washington and Clackamas counties another. Another bill proposes to divide the present Second District into three. Under this plan Douglas County would be a separate district, Lane, Lincoln and Benton another district and Coos and Curry counties another. Another measure provides for dividing the present Tenth District, comprising the present Willamette counties, into two separate districts.

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STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Representative William G. Hare, of Hillsboro, was called home today on account of the serious illness of his wife.

Members of the Legislature who also are members of the Loyal Order of Moose have been invited to a reception by the local Moose at 3 o'clock tomorrow evening. Many Legislators are eligible to attend.

Through his office as chairman of the committee on medicine, dentistry and pharmacy, Plowden Stott, of the Multnomah delegation, has earned a new title. It is "Doc." About 35 per cent of the delegations of "doctors" and "practitioners" that have appeared before the committee in the last few weeks have addressed him as "doctor" and Stott has—at first blushing, but now smilingly—responded to the term. He has planned a regular series of hearings to consider the various bills and regulations of the "schools" of medicine and the numerous brands of practitioners now operating in the state.

Representative Paisley, of Washington, made his first speech in the House the other day when he opposed the bill to increase the minimum school term in the rural districts from six months to eight months. He surprised his old friend, Representative Huston, of Portland, so that the latter member was forced to admit that it was one of the best speeches he ever heard.

Paisley pointed mysteriously to the cloakroom, but Huston declared he is not of the "show-me" kind.

"Rattlesnake Jim," an Indian youth, who says he is walking around the world, entertained the crowd in the lobby between the House and the Senate this afternoon.

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OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 2.—(Special.)—To hold in abeyance the McArdle bills and other measures designed to shear the Governor's power by invoking the referendum for the first time in Washington is the proposal being discussed by minority legislators in case Republicans of both houses hold to their present programme and succeed in passing these proposals over Governor Lister's veto.

Petitions bearing 19,102 signatures, if filed against the acts within 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature, would be sufficient to prevent them from taking effect and would cause their presentation at the general election of November 1916. The final fate of the bills, if once tied up by referendum, probably would be immaterial to all parties, as Governor Lister, if a candidate for re-election, as is considered probable, would come before the voters the same time as the McArdle bills. The referendum, if invoked, would serve to keep the control of the departments in its present status until virtually the close of Mr. Lister's administration.

Two More Bills Due. In addition to the McArdle bills, which deprive the Governor of control of the tax department, State Land Board of Equalization, the Republican organization has announced the introduction of the bills abolishing the offices of State Labor Commissioner and State Fire Warden, both under the control of the Governor. Representative Barlow, of Pierce County, it was announced today, is drafting these measures. There also has been much talk of a bill to take the Department of Agriculture from the control of the Governor and place it under the Secretary of State.

After granting a hearing today on Governor Lister's plan for a constitutional convention and the "short ballot" amendment proposed by Representative Timblin, the joint committee on constitutional revision decided to place both matters before the Republican caucus.

A majority of members of the Senate committee favored the constitutional convention. W. M. Whitney, chairman of the Republican Central Committee, of King County, appeared in opposition to both plans, however, and his attitude influenced the committee to the decision to ask caucus action. The "short ballot" plan enlisted little support, the Legislature being at present engaged in taking away existing prerogatives of the Governor. Instead of attempting to allow him to make appointments to positions now elective.

Vancouver for Bridge Act. Whitney's opposition to the constitutional convention was based on the ground that the voters were not ready for such a gathering and that a convention would be likely to adopt too many "frankish" proposals.

Judge A. L. Miller, I. M. Burnett, A. A. Dawson and E. E. Beard composed the group of Vancouver bridge boosters who appeared at Olympia today when House bill No. 43, giving Clarke County Commissioners power to act with Multnomah County authorities in granting interstate bridge franchises and fixing and collecting and collecting tolls. The bill was passed with minor amendments by the House to the third reading and probably will come up for final passage tomorrow.

It allows the granting of 25-year franchises for all public utilities, but bars monopoly franchises and provides for reimbursing Clarke and Multnomah counties by bridge tolls in proportion to the amount expended by each in the bridge construction.

The Senate today divided evenly, 18 to 18, on Campbell's memorial urging Congress to pass the immigration bill over President Wilson's veto and the memorial was lost. The Senate also defeated the library consolidation bill backed by the State Federation of Women's Clubs, designed to take control of the state libraries from the Supreme Court. The bill was interpreted as an attack upon Librarian J. M. Hitt and Mrs. Lou G. Diven, superintendent of the traveling library.

The war specter was held up with alarming forebodings by Dr. Smith and other speakers. The subject under consideration was Mr. Schuebel's proposed joint resolution to submit a constitutional amendment to the people at the 1916 election. The proposed amendment would prevent aliens from owning real property for a longer period than six years at a time. The plan would not affect present holdings. Aliens would be able to lease lands for 21 years.

While the proposal would apply to all aliens alike, opponents of the resolution asserted that it would be particularly offensive to the Japanese, who are prevented from becoming citizens.

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Trustee's Sale

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Men's High-Class, Built-to-Measure Suits and Overcoats Now at Near One-Half Price

TO THE PUBLIC: By the order of the court I am placed in charge of TOM GALLAGHER'S great tailoring establishment with instructions to dispose of thousands of dollars' worth of woolens at once. To accomplish this purpose I am permitted for a limited number of days to make these materials into men's suits and overcoats at near one-half the regular prices. There are no ifs or ands about this offer. Come to the store now—at once—and select any material (all marked in plain figures), deduct 40% from the marked price, and you then have the sale price at which the Trustee is converting these stocks into money. For many years I have been connected, directly and indirectly, with the tailoring business and I can truthfully say that never before to my knowledge has such a tailoring offer as this been made.

(Signed) M. J. Kintner, Rep. Trustee in Bankruptcy.

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Perfect Fit Absolutely Assured Every Garment Fully Guaranteed

The entire organization of this great tailoring concern is yet intact. Every garment sold in this sale will receive the same care and consideration as though the regular price was paid. This we emphatically and positively guarantee.

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382 Washington St. Bet. W. Park and 10th Sts.

NEWS ITEM DECLARED INSOLVENT BY U. S. COURT

Tom Gallagher, Wholesale and Retail Tailor, Files Petition in Bankruptcy.

The war in Europe has added another victim to its list. Tom Gallagher, Portland's big merchant tailor and wholesaler of woolens, is forced to file a voluntary petition in bankruptcy.

Caught with immense stocks of imported woolens on hand, the demands of European mills for immediate payment of accounts, is what started the trouble, so states Mr. Gallagher.

By placing the present stock and business in the hands of the court for adjustment of affairs, it is expected that the business will pay near 100 cents on the dollar, after which a reorganization will very likely occur and the business will continue as formerly.

—(Special.)—The House this afternoon passed Representative Riskey's bill that will permit municipalities not incorporated as municipalities to pool their assets for the purpose of supplying water for domestic purposes. The object of the measure is to enable residents of Oak Grove and other unincorporated settlements near Portland to obtain water systems.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—The House today passed the bill introduced by the irrigation committee and providing for the incorporation of an irrigation district for the purpose of issuing bonds. Such a district will have the same powers as municipalities for bond-issuing purposes, but for none other. The proceeds of the bond sales must be used for irrigation purposes. The measure was recommended by the Irrigation Congress recently held at Portland.

HOUSE PASSES MEASURE TO CREATE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT. STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—The House today passed the bill introduced by the irrigation committee and providing for the incorporation of an irrigation district for the purpose of issuing bonds.

Town Water Supplies Aided. STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—The House this afternoon passed Representative Irvin's bill to eliminate commercial fishing in Beaver Creek in Lincoln County.

TEXAS OPEN DERBY AWARDS MADE. HOUSTON HOT WELLS, Tex., Feb. 3.—Square Edges, a premier hitch owned by J. B. MacMillan, of Lodi, Wis., and handled by Herbert Flahel, of Washington, Ind., already winner of the National derby, today won the open derby of the Texas field trials. Second place was awarded to Miss Dan, a setter, owned by G. B. Roberts, of Whaleyville, La.

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Years of service in the Police Department of Portland, with its irregular hours and meals caused Detective Sergeant Joseph Day to pay the penalty by suffering rheumatism and stomach trouble. Detective Day is a veteran of the Portland police force and one of its best-known members. He was relieved of his troubles by Akoz, the wonderful California medicinal mineral remedy. He tells of his case as follows: "Akoz is great stuff. I suffered with rheumatism in my legs, and also with dyspepsia and sour stomach. I tried many remedies but nothing did me any good until I tried Akoz. After drinking the Akoz mineral water for about a month the rheumatism left me, and my stomach was in fine condition again. The sourness has left me and instead of a poor appetite I can now eat anything without being distressed."