

SINCE PUBLISHED REFERENDUM PLAN

McArdle Bill Gets Back to Senate With Emergency Clause to Block Move.

HIGH OFFICIAL IS HEARD

Committee in Washington Legislature Would Prevent Scheme to Take Appeal on Effort to Shear Governor's Power.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—Apparently in an effort to forestall a possible referendum, the McArdle bill providing for reorganization of the State Land Board so that it will be taken from the control of Governor Lister, came back to the Senate today with an emergency clause attached, declaring the measure necessary "for the immediate preservation of the public peace and safety and support of the state government," and to take effect immediately.

All bills not necessary for the purpose specified are subject to referendum on the Washington constitution and do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature.

It was reported last week that if the McArdle bills were passed and repassed over the veto of Governor Lister, the Senate land committee would include the referendum, which would hold the measure in abeyance until the general election of November, 1916, and would insure the Governor's remaining in control until practically the end of his term.

Why the emergency clause should be attached to the Land Board bill and not to the bills making the tax commission and Board of Equalization from the Governor's control remained unexplained tonight by members of the Senate land committee which considered two of the three McArdle bills.

It was intimated, however, that the request for the emergency clause came from a high executive official, and that this statement alone was sufficient in the land committee meeting to cause the affixing of the emergency clause.

High Official Heard. Friends of the Governor's remaining in control until practically the end of his term. The action of the Senate, in attaching the emergency clause to place it in effect immediately, has been taken to forestall such a move.

Whether the statement of the Legislature in passing the bill that it is an emergency measure will be sufficient to avoid the constitutional provision for the referendum, was discussed by lawyers tonight, different conclusions being reached.

Six members of the Washington Senate, representing three political parties, today introduced a Senate bill 228 a measure to reinstate the death penalty for first-degree murder.

Senator Phillips, of Spokane, Progressive, one of the introducers in the last Legislature voted for the Goss bill which abolished capital punishment. He is convinced, he says, that the return of the death penalty is necessary as a deterrent to crime.

Enemies of capital punishment are expected to ask that the bill, if passed by the Legislature, be referred to voters for final decision in the 1916 election. At the last session, Mr. Goss, of King County, obtained passage of the bill abolishing the death penalty, after a six-year fight, and successfully fought off a proposal for attachment of a referendum clause.

Both houses started the fifth week of the Legislature by turning out in earnest. The Senate passed the "druggists' doctors" measure, Senate bill No. 78, which has been attacked bitterly by regular physicians, by the surprising vote of 25 to 6.

Druggists' Doctors' Bill Carries. The measure was introduced last Friday, on today's calendar, and the Legislature was given no opportunity to study the measures. Other members took up the fight on specific provisions of the road bill, declaring all heavy trucks would be barred absolutely, while Mr. Wiley, of Spokane, argued that even the wear and tear of a baby buggy might be construed as a heavy truck.

STROMER'S FISCAL AGENT, H. B. LAMONTE, ANNOUNCED.

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HOUSE PASSES BILL TO GOVERN EMPLOYERS' SYSTEMS.

Author Says Measure Is Aimed at "Fly-by-Night" Contractors—Accounting of Sums Is Proposed.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—Continuing from industrial concern, mercantile institutions and other large employers of labor that collect funds from their employees for hospital service will be required to submit an accounting of the money and to give the workmen a voice in its expenditure, by the terms of a bill that was passed by the House today.

The House passed a bill to govern employers' systems. The measure, declared that the system now in vogue among some of the "fly-by-night" railroad contractors constitutes nothing more or less than an organized graft against the workmen.

Representative Anderson, of Wasco, related the experience of a workingman who had been victimized by a contractor. He received \$150 for his wages and had to pay \$1 out of that for hospital fees.

Mr. Anderson said that section 3 of the bill, which provides that patented pavements are to be controlled by the State, means that every style of patented pavement must be in competition with the State.

Senator McCourt declared that only one concern was interested in the patented pavement and the great question was whether that concern was to be allowed to control the roads and streets in the State or the others are to have a chance.

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PAVING BILL'S FEES AND FRIENDS CLASH

Senator Bingham's Act Fought as Monopoly and Praised as Economic Measure.

YEON AGAINST PROPOSAL

Opponents Declare Plan Is Directed Solely Against Warren Company.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—That the Bingham paving bill, if passed, will save the counties and cities money and free them from the grasp of a monopoly and that it is aimed solely at the Warren Construction Company were the primary allegations made by representatives of various interests at a meeting of the joint committee on roads and highways tonight.

E. E. Covert, representing the County Commissioners of Multnomah County, S. Benson and Roadmaster Yeon say the bill is invidious and should be defeated. He said that the Warren Construction Company is a monopoly and that it is aimed solely at the Warren Construction Company.

Richard W. Montague, representing the Warren Construction Company, declared that the measure was an attempt to legislate out of business a concern that had stood the test and had been the victor in fair competition.

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DRYS WIN IN HOUSE

Idaho Measure to Ban Liquor January 1 Is Favored.

WETS' LINE-UP TIGHTENS

Saloon Forces to Make Last Stand in Senate, for Governor Says He Will Sign—Short-Ballot Amendment Loses Heavily.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 8.—(Special.)—Defeat of the short ballot constitution amendment by the House of Representatives today tightened the lineup of the wetters in the Idaho legislature.

WOMEN'S PLEA DENIED

MULTNOMAH MAJORITY FAVORS JUVENILE COURT CHANGE.

Telegrams From Clubs Not Heeded, but Three Promise Report—Bill of School Board Rejected.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—A divided report will be presented to the House tomorrow by the Multnomah County delegation on the Juvenile Court work of the hands of Judge Cletten.

NO FLAG ORDERS ARE ISSUED

British Government Gives View on Lusitania Incident.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Walter Bines Page, the American Ambassador in London, today forwarded to the State Department in Washington a report on the Lusitania flag incident.

Insured Man Hurt in Bus Appeals to Commission.

HOUSE CARPET CAUSES TALK—Legislators Would Replace 23-Year-Old Floor Covering.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—New carpet for the floor of the House chamber has in the last few days become a subject of discussion in the State Capitol.

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Bill Authorizes Burns Railroad.

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