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Legislative Investigators Named in 1913 Complete Inquiry—Findings to Be Filed With Reclamation Review.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—After a heated debate, in which it was asserted she was not in need of money, the Senate today referred to the committee on ways and means the bill appropriating \$5000 for Mrs. Louisa J. Ritter, widow of Corporal Walter A. Ritter, of the Oregon National Guard, who, it has been determined, died as the result of a cold received while in camp at Fort Stevens last summer. The committee on claims returned a divided report, Senators Kellaker and Dimick declaring that Mrs. Ritter was not entitled to the money. Senator Kellaker read a letter from a sister of Mrs. Ritter, who urged that the appropriation be made. She said her brother's widow was receiving a salary of \$12 a week and was living with her father, who made a salary of \$1000 a year.

Senator Dimick declared there was no evidence to show that Corporal Ritter died of a cold contracted while in camp. He said he was not attended by a physician and did not die until he had been away from there 26 days. The Senator further said the widow had collected an insurance policy of \$1000, which was taken care of, he said. Senator Moser insisted that another investigation be made and upon his motion the bill was referred to the ways and means committee.

FOREIGN TROUT BILL PASSED

Senate Approves Measure to Foil Waste of Alaska Fish.  
STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Senator Kellaker's bill to allow trout caught in Alaska and the states outside of the United States to be shipped into the state and sold passed the House by a large vote this afternoon. It will provide for the collection of fish from that state to go to waste because of the absence of a market and is expected to aid in reducing the high cost of living. Several members of the House spoke in favor of the bill. "I see this bill is fathered by Senator Kellaker," said Representative Lewis, "and anything that bears his name will pass." The bill was passed by a vote of 19 to 11.

HOUSE PASSES FOUR AT NIGHT

One Bill Provides for Deposits of State Warrants Monthly.  
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Committee of Congress of Mothers in Charge of Work and Booths Established Downtown.  
Gay little silken badges, miniature flags bearing the stars and stripes, fluttered from cost labels yesterday marking the sale of the campaign for the child welfare fund of the Oregon Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Associations.

11,330,718 AMOUNT ALLOWED

Nine Measures Appropriating Various Funds Pass Senate.  
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Oregon State Hospital, \$768,164; deficiency for payment of expenses of Civil War veterans to Gettysburg reunion, \$4819; State Capitol and Supreme Court grounds, \$58,850; Veterans' hospital, \$30,850; printing and distributing legislative records, \$8000; State Training, \$65,275; Feeble-Minded Institute, \$14,961; Deaf School, \$54,957; and for special agents, \$7000.

The following other bills were passed by the Senate: S. B. 235, by Daves—Printing blue book; appropriation \$2300.

S. B. 124, by Forbes—Printing Ida E. Lumber, \$2000 for 1000 of business cards.

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