

LOST HOUSE BILL BOBS UP SUDDENLY

Chief Clerk Drager Finds It Among Pile of Legislative Reports.

HOW IT GOT THERE, PUZZLE

Marion-Polk County Bridge Measure Will Be Sent to Presiding Officers of Legislature and Then to Governor.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special).—House bill 378, the Marion-Polk County bridge bill, reappeared today as mysteriously as it disappeared a few days ago.

W. F. Drager, chief clerk of the House at the recent session, declared that he unearthed the bill out of a pile of reports, the last place he would expect to look, and that it will be sent on its way to the Speaker of the House for his signature.

"Are you sure it is the bill in question?" he was asked.

"It is the identical bill," responded the chief clerk.

He said that his early examination of the accumulated papers after the Legislature had taken over from committees and killed and there were some over carefully, but to no avail.

But finally, out of the mass of reports, committee investigations and the sheaves of other miscellaneous papers which pile up in the Legislature, the bill blossomed forth. How it got there he has no idea.

The chief clerk is insistent that there can be no doubt about the bill which he discovered being the bill that has been missing for a number of days.

When queried as to whether there were any possibility of its being a duplicate of the original he declared that he was satisfied that it was the bill in question.

The bill will be enrolled properly, sent to the presiding officers of the two Houses and after receiving their signatures will be sent to the Governor.

Governor's Action Unknown. It is not known whether the Governor will receive the bill or not, whether under the constitution he should receive it, but this undoubtedly be up to Attorney-General Brown for his decision.

The Attorney-General said today that after searching through a mass of law books he has been unable to find an exactly similar case to the present upon which to base a precedent, and consequently it will be no easy nut for him to crack.

Representative W. A. Jones today substantiated the statement made by Representative Forbes in a dispatch from Bend in The Oregonian. "What he says is exactly correct," said Mr. Jones. "I wish to substantiate it in every particular."

GRADE REDUCTION DESIRED

Mosler Citizens Petition Property Owners on Steep Highway.

MOSIER, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special).—Local citizens are out with petitions to property owners along the road to the Cramer grade, which has a pitch of nearly 12 per cent and is, perhaps, a half-mile long to contribute to an improvement fund. With the heavy loads of lumber from the Root sawmill and apples, teams experience difficulty on it.

Last year the County Court offered to Charles T. Bennett, local road supervisor, \$300 to improve this hill, but it was said this sum was insufficient. It is proposed to build a new road above the present route.

In order to accomplish the task it is estimated that \$450 or \$500 will be needed. By subscription in the city and country it is hoped to raise \$150 to be tendered to the County Court.

HIGHWAY BOARD IS NAMED

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ditions that have made it a mighty and constructive piece of road legislation. With the appointment of the commissioners I consider that my function is done," he said. "What appointments are made, what plans are outlined, what regulations are to be framed in the administration of the affairs of the commission are to be the commission's own business. I trust that the work will progress harmoniously and satisfactorily. The commissioners will not be interfered with or prompted in any manner by me."

With the means at hand, and with the realization of the hope that the bond issue will carry in June, I am satisfied that this commission will carry out in a suit for the wishes. I hope for the construction of the magnificent system of highways for the



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benefit of the farmer, the market town, the business man and the people of Oregon as a whole."

E. J. ADAMS ACTIVE IN EUGENE

New Highway Commissioner Advocate of Fair Play and Efficiency.

EUGENE, Or., Feb. 27.—E. J. Adams, appointed as a member of the State Highway Commission today, is a prominent business man and good roads enthusiast. He is chief of the Eugene Chamber of Commerce bureau of roads and highways and chairman of the roads and bridges committee of the Lane County Taxpayers' League.

Mr. Adams declared tonight that he stood for "fair and equitable treatment in road work of all parts of the state and 100 per cent efficiency in road construction on state account."

Mr. Adams came to Oregon in 1908, after a prominent career in Michigan, where he was born on a farm and practiced law for 15 years in Grand Rapids. He served his state as a member of the State Legislature under the Pingree administration, was Speaker of the House and later served as a member of the State Constitutional Convention in 1907. He is president of the Harbor Sound Investment Company, active in the development of the coast region of Lane County and interested in building contracting and the lumber and shingle business.

MR. THOMPSON IS INDORSED

Host of Recommendations Sent to Governor From Eastern Oregon.

PENDLETON, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special).—W. L. Thompson, of Pendleton, received strong endorsement for the Eastern Oregon place on the State Highway Commission. At a recent

meeting held in The Dalles 16 delegates representing Hood River, Wasco, Gilliam, Sherman and Umatilla Counties, Oregon men started the movement when Mr. Thompson was in the East. He is president of the American National Bank and has always taken an interest in good roads in the state.

Among other strong endorsements, among them being those of the Umatilla County Legislators, have been sent Governor Withycombe, Eastern Oregon men started the movement when Mr. Thompson was in the East. He is president of the American National Bank and has always taken an interest in good roads in the state.

Recall of Six is Tried. E. B. Andrews added to list of Councilmen attacked.

Oregon City Member, Removed by Court, to Lead Fight on Predecessor Who is Holding Over.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special).—A new chapter in the City Council-City Attorney mess was opened here today when L. C. Bridges, deputy city manager from the Third Ward, announced that petitions will be immediately set on foot for the recall of E. B. Andrews and that he will oppose Mr. Andrews at the special recall election.

Mr. Bridges was recently removed by a court order on the grounds that he was ineligible to hold office because of absence from the city.

Mr. Andrews, who had been Mr. Bridges' predecessor, was defeated at the polls, but when Judge Campbell ordered Mr. Bridges away from the meetings Mr. Andrews immediately laid claim to his seat under a charter provision which allows any Councilman to hold office until his successor is elected and qualified.

Owing to the fact that Mr. Andrews claims the place as a hold-over it is generally conceded that it will be legally possible to recall him. If he has been elected it would not be possible.

Six of the nine Councilmen are now attacked by recallers. The wholesale recall move grows out of a fight in the Council concerning the appointment of Chris Schuebel as City Attorney, after George L. Story had been elected in a race against Schuebel at the polls.

STUDENTS PLAN FUN-FEST

University to Have Carnival Saturday for Woman's Building Fund.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Feb. 27.—(Special).—Plans for an all-university carnival and fun-fest Saturday for the benefit of the woman's building are crystallizing. The committee of students in charge have given the affair the title of the K. K. K. and all over the campus these mysterious letters are appearing.

The proposed woman's building is a \$100,000 campus structure for women, the cause of which Mrs. G. T. Gerlinger, of the board of regents, is championing. To aid in the raising of funds the students extend themselves once each college year in some big entertainment stunt.

Centralia Woman Asks Divorce. CENTRALIA, Wash., Feb. 27.—(Special).—Ben Roland was made defendant in a suit for divorce filed in the Lewis County Superior Court yesterday by Iona Roland, who alleges desertion and non-support as her grounds for action. The couple were married July 7, 1914. The plaintiff lived in Olympia before her marriage. In the Superior Court yesterday Mel Clark, of this city, was appointed guardian for Thoda Lusby, a minor.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

WASCO'S VOTE FOR ROAD BONDS VALID

Supreme Court Refuses to Sustain Judgment of Judge Bradshaw.

SUIT ORDERED DISMISSED

In Case of Joseph R. Bowles and Others, Plaintiffs and Appellants vs. C. U. Gantenbein, Circuit Court is Upheld.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special).—The vote which allows Wasco County to issue \$260,000 in bonds for the purpose of building and maintaining permanent highways was upheld today in an opinion of the Supreme Court written by Chief Justice McBride. The opinion reversed Judge Bradshaw's decision in the case of Joseph R. Bowles and others vs. C. U. Gantenbein, a suit brought by O. E. Wilson. The election was held at the time

for the first 10 years, and greater rates thereafter, and speedily to complete on the premises at an expense of not less than \$250,000 a new six-story building with basement in lieu of the old structure.

Rents Prove Insufficient. A bond of \$75,000 was put up for faithful performance of the conditions mentioned, as well as other minor provisions. The lessee assigned all of his interest in the lease to the Willamette Building & Realty Company. The rents received by the corporation have been insufficient to pay the lessors, and to advance funds to protect their own rights. Mr. Widney assigned his claim to the defendant, who instituted an action to recover. Suit was started to enjoin prosecution.

The court denied a petition for rehearing in the case of S. G. Sargent, as superintendent of banks, on behalf of the creditors of the American Bank & Trust Company, against G. W. Waterbury and others.

Judge Daly, of Lake County, was affirmed in the case of the state against Tommy Morris, jointly indicted with Martin Anchoberly, on a charge of second-degree murder.

H. Noble, appellant, vs. J. Arthur Watrous, et al., appealed from Washington County; suit to quiet title of real estate; reversed, opinion by Justice McManam.

Columbia River Company vs. John A. Smith, et al., appellants; appealed from Clatsop County; petition for rehearing denied; opinion by Justice Burnett.

John M. Foukes, appellant, vs. Henry Sengstacken, et al., appealed from Coos County; suit to remove cloud from title to real property; reversed, opinion by Justice Harris.

In the case of Mosier vs. Mosier, a motion to dismiss was overruled.

VALIDATION OF BONDS ELATES

Wasco \$260,000 Issue for Roads Is to Be Advertised Again.

THE DALLES, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special).—The Wasco County \$260,000 good roads bond issue has been declared valid by the Supreme Court in a decision rendered this morning at Salem by Chief Justice McBride and concurred in by Justices Moore, Bean and McManam. The court holds that the majority of those voters who actually voted upon the bonding question is sufficient. The decision reverses the decision of Circuit Judge Bradshaw and the case of O. E. Wilson was dismissed.

The decision was received with elation by the good roads enthusiasts of this county. The bids will be readvertised at once and opened about April 1 and the awarding of the contracts for construction will follow about two weeks later.

PAID FIREMEN FAVORED

Fire Marshal Stevens Speaks at Oregon City on Issue.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special).—Fire Marshal Stevens, of Portland, opened his campaign here for a paid fire department with a talk before the Citizens Club at noon today in the Commercial Club.

Mr. Stevens has been brought here by business men, who want to see the old volunteer system give place to a small though modern department.

As a result of the enthusiasm aroused by his talk today a mass meeting will be held in Busch's hall Thursday night when the Portland fire marshal will give a talk illustrated with moving pictures.

Money will see the close of the campaign for the purchase of a truck and the maintenance of a paid department. A special election will be held on that day.

ROCK CREEK YOUTH KILLED

Fall From Telephone Pole Near Cove Believed Cause of Death.

COVE, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special).—The dead body of Albert C. Springer was found Saturday at the base of a telephone pole in the canyon out of Cove by John Butler. Young Springer, who had worked at the power-house a few years ago, was known to have gone up the canyon to look after the wires on a pole which a woodchucker's load had come against.

As the power on these wires is not sufficient to kill a man, it is thought that he fell from the pole. His parents had instructed that the body be sent to his home at Rock Creek, near Baker.

ROSEBURG TO RAISE QUARANTINE.

ROSEBURG, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special).—Dr. Elsomaker, city health officer, announced today that the quarantine of the Roseburg school children would probably be raised on March 6. The schools of the city were closed here at noon last Friday when it became known that approximately 150 cases of measles had developed in the city. Although several of the cases have been quite severe, no deaths have been reported.

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FEW CHANGES MADE

Legislature Tampered Little With Election Laws.

PETITION RULE ALTERED Under Revised Statute "Registered" Voters and Not "Legal" Voters, as in Past. Are Eligible to Sign Petitions.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 26.—(Special).—New election laws make a few important changes and a number of minor changes in the administration of elections.

Probably foremost among the new laws is the provision relative to initiative and referendum petitions, which requires that all signers of such petitions must be registered voters, instead of "legal" voters, and that the county courts shall check over such petitions and return certificates to the effect that the signers thereof actually are registered voters.

Under new laws, when a candidate for office withdraws, or dies, the name on the official ballot of such candidate shall be marked out by election officers, which requires that the names of other candidates for the same office.

Provisions also are made that when the initiative or referendum petition is submitted to the Secretary of State to pass upon it as to its form, he shall transmit a copy of it to the attorney-general, who shall prepare a ballot title therefor. Under the old law the ballot title is not prepared until after the petitions are prepared and transmitted to the Secretary of State for filing. But under the new system all signers of the petition will have a right to see the ballot title of the petition when they sign.

The law does not take away the right of review by the Circuit Court, which is allowed from the ballot title prepared by the Attorney-General. Hereafter, on the primary election ballots, all names shall rotate with the number of more candidates for one office. Heretofore there was no rotation of names unless there were five or more candidates.

In printing the primary ballots the number of ballots to be printed shall be one and one-fifth times as many as the number of registered voters. The old law called for printing twice as many. At the general election the number printed shall be one and one-fifth times as many as the number of registered voters.

Clerks May Make Change. Provision is also made for the County Clerks to change the registration of a voter when his residence remains the same, but when precincts have been so changed as to place him in a different precinct than the one in which he originally was registered.

In the absence of any clerk from the election board, the others of the board are allowed to substitute a clerk of the same political affiliation as the clerk who is missing.

Other provisions also are made for printing sample ballots exact duplicates of the official ballots, and for County Clerks to report back and forth changes in registration which might affect the different counties, and also for the Secretary of State to furnish registration lists to the County Clerk at stated intervals so the clerks may clean up the deadwood from the county lists.

Clarkston Dog Owners Wary. CLARKSTON, Wash., Feb. 27.—(Special).—The drastic quarantine on dogs enacted by the Legislature last week has caused all owners of dogs to keep them off the streets. The law provides for the shooting on sight of all dogs appearing without muzzles outside the owner's premises.

Pupils' Gardens Planned. CHEHALIS, Wash., Feb. 27.—(Special).—The discussion at the Citizens' Club luncheon today was "Boys' and Girls' Clubs." Secretary Dupont, of the Citizens' Club, was toastmaster. Other addresses were made by G. R.

COQUILLE VALUE HIGHEST

Assessment on Watershed Is More Than for Coos Bay District.

BANDON, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special).—Figures compiled by County Assessor Beyer show the assessed valuation of the Coquille watershed, all of which is tributary to the port of Bandon, exceeds by more than \$2,000,000 that of the Coos Bay watershed, the amounts being: Coquille, \$10,603,110; Coos Bay, \$8,520,244. On the other hand the cities tributary to Coos Bay have considerably larger assessed valuations than those on the Coquille. The figures are: Marshfield, \$2,674,639; North Bend, \$1,242,558; Bandon, \$843,892; Coquille, \$810,257; Myrtle Point, \$366,736.

Dropping the Oregon and California land grants from the tax rolls has decreased the assessed valuation of Coos County \$1,346,393 from last year; the total now being \$10,762,677.

LUMBER FRAUD CHARGED

Banks and Logging Companies Are Defendants in \$125,000 Suit.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Feb. 27.—(Special).—Monday Attorney G. E. Hamaker, of Portland, acting for G. A. Onn, a prominent southwest Washington lumberman, of Pe Ell, filed a \$125,000 damage suit against the Montezano State Bank, National Bank of Tacoma, Pacific National Bank of Tacoma, Givens & Hubbell Logging Company, Fred Wilson Company and Poison Logging Company.

The complainant alleges that on April 25 1912, the defendants agreed to form a corporation to handle in trust property owned and controlled by the plaintiff. The complainant further alleges the defendants, with intent to defraud the plaintiff, sold the Sverdrup Lumber Company to the Houshram Sash & Door Company for \$25,000 when its real value was \$150,000.

Yakima Elks to Burn Mortgage. NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 27.—(Special).—The Elks' lodge of North Yakima will burn the mortgage on its temple on April 28 with appropriate ceremony. The prosperous condition of the lodge is due largely to a successful membership campaign which has added about 500 members.

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