

CITY-COUNTY MERGER MEASURE PRESENTED

Legislature Asked to Submit Proposal to People.

BILL IS BROAD IN TERMS

Details of Consolidation of Portland and Multnomah County to Be Left to Commission of 21.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special).—Proposed consolidation of the City of Portland and County of Multnomah made its appearance in the Senate today when a proposed amendment to the Constitution was brought to Salem by Frank S. Grant and introduced by the Multnomah delegation.

In its provisions the proposed consolidation is most sweeping. It consolidates most everything in the city and county governments and gives the consolidated body control of the Willamette and Columbia rivers and the directions contained in the drafted bill, the school board is wiped out in Portland and all the school boards in the various districts of the county are displaced.

Doek Commission Not Included. The doek commission is mentioned by the bill, but if the people adopt the constitutional amendment calling for a municipal entity, can be taken in later.

Ten days after the constitutional amendment is adopted by the people, the Mayor of Portland is required to appoint a commission of 21 persons to serve as a charter board, and within 15 months this charter board must prepare a charter for the city and county of Portland, and this charter must be submitted to the people for adoption or rejection.

All of the multitudinous details of harmonizing the various municipal and county governments and the county are left to the wisdom of the charter board. The proposed constitutional amendment does not deal with the city or other than in the broad way of saying the road, school and similar districts, port of Portland and municipalities, shall be consolidated.

Some time ago there was a rumor that the names of the charter board would be contained in the proposed constitutional amendment, but those steering the consolidation programme say it was considered inadvisable to include names. This will leave the appointment of the board to Mayor Baker. How soon the constitutional amendment will be submitted to the people is not known, but as there is a prospect for a special general election in June, the amendment may be put before the voters at that early date.

SELF-SEEKERS ASSAILED

(Continued From First Page.) committee can make changes. Mr. Schuebel, however, complained that attempts were being made to thrust the bill, which he considered the most vital subject to the state.

MEASURE IS RECOMMENDED

On the motion to recommend the vote stood 25 yeas, 20 nays and five absent. Those voting "no" were: Childs, Cross, Ford, Cross, Dedman, Elmore, Haines, Hare, Hughes, Jones, of Lincoln and York, Lafferty, Martin, Merryman, Richardson, Roman, Schuebel, Thompson, Thrift, Weeks and Speaker Jones. The absentees were: Burdick, Dodd, Sheldon, Smith of Multnomah and Wheeler. The Clackamas, Marion and West Side delegations were against sending the bill back to the committee. Under the Clackamas and Marion delegations, in particular, have shown antagonism to the road programme in various ways, while protesting their friendship for good roads.

A few moments later, when an effort was made to force the road committee to report back this bill next Wednesday afternoon, it was defeated with 40 yeas. Representative Gore contended that he did not believe the question of patented pavements should be injected into general road legislation, but that this subject should be incorporated in one bill. He recently having the motives of the committee impugned by Schuebel.

NORBLAD AND THOMAS CLASH

In the sub-committee on roads and highways, which is preparing the bond

bill, a tilt developed between Senators Norblad and Thomas. This committee met last Wednesday night and decided on all sections except section 4 and authorized Senator Norblad and Representative Johnson to draft section 4.

Senator Thomas was not at the meeting, and although he had four days in which to familiarize himself with the drafted bill, he decided today that he knew nothing about it and objected to it being rushed through. This caused Senator Norblad to give him a verbal castigation, the Clatsop Senator saying that Mr. Thomas has been complaining that business has not been moving along enough so that Mr. Thomas himself is responsible for the delay in the bond bill. It was the intention of the sub-committee to report the bond bill to the joint road committee today and have it introduced, so that the Legislature could consider it. The action of Mr. Thomas caused delay, the sub-committee agreeing to wait until tomorrow morning. It rather galled the sub-committee when, after working long on the bond bill, Thomas wanted it sent to the junk pile by announcing that he wished to write a bill of his own. He decided today that he would direct that the Pacific Highway, which runs through his county of Jackson, be the first primary road completed.

More road legislation was offered today by Senator Smith, of Coos and Curry, and by Representative Johnson. The former sent in Senate bill 157, authorizing counties to contract for road work, and the Hare bill stipulates that road bonds must be sold for par and that they shall be issued in \$500 denominations, so Oregon people can buy them. The present highway bond bill, however, must be sold for a premium, but no bids have ever been offered for the bonds by small investors.

NEW MEASURES UP IN SENATE

Bills Pertain to Wide Variety of Important Subjects.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special).—The following new bills were introduced today in the Senate: S. B. 127, by Smith—Amending the law relative to proof of death of animals as shown by the bill. S. B. 128, by Eddy—Providing that the requirements shall not apply to members of the Federal reserve bank system. S. B. 129, by Eddy—Repealing chapter 166, laws of 1915, which permits farmers and others to establish state banks on the cooperative plan. S. B. 130, by Eddy—Exempting pensioners from attachment and execution. S. B. 131, by Eddy—Providing for the establishment within municipalities zones in which the use of propellers, height improvements and required open spaces for schools, churches and other buildings may be regulated by ordinance. S. B. 132, by Jones—Amending section 507 L. O. L. by making a penalty for a year prior to commencement of suit grounds for obtaining a divorce. S. B. 133, by Porter—To prevent fraud in the registration of livestock and providing a penalty for every offense. S. B. 134, by Eddy—Amending section 13, chapter 280, laws of 1917, fixing the time that the report of road viewers must be read by the County Court at a public meeting. S. B. 135, by Smith (Coo and Curry)—To authorize counties to become bidders for and to contract for the construction of state highways. S. B. 136, by Handley—Regulating the use of the initiative and referendum in municipalities other than incorporated cities and towns, as authorized in section 1 of article 5 of the state constitution. S. B. 137, by Moser (by request)—Amending section 338 L. O. L. to give county boards authority to levy assessments on candidates for public office for the purpose of making provision for the slaughter of diseased animals. S. B. 138, by Moser—Providing for the formation of improvement districts in unincorporated communities. S. B. 139, by Ritter—Increasing salaries of officials in Umatilla County. S. B. 140, by Ritter—Prohibiting stock from running at large in Umatilla County. S. B. 141, by Ritter—Giving Public Service Commission authority to fix the price of deputies in the grain inspection department and making amendments of the grain inspection law. S. B. 142, by Eddy—Bill to cure defective proceedings in the administration of estates. S. B. 143, by Gill—Creating a state civil service commission and providing for its service rules for certain public employees.

CONSOLIDATION BILL DELAYED

Water District Measure Sent to Committee for Adjustments.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special).—Opponents of the consolidation programme, which was introduced in the Senate today when the first consolidation measure to come up for final passage, was sent back to the committee for further adjustments. Although a vote was not taken, sentiment appeared strongly against the plan. The measure was Senate bill No. 53, by Hurley, proposing to abolish the office of superintendent of Water Districts and having the superintendent of District No. 1 named as state water commissioner. The author told the Senate it would create a saving of \$7000 for the next two years. Senator Strayer, objected to some provisions of the bill relating to the salaries of water foremen, and covering the question of patented pavements should be injected into general road legislation, but that this subject should be incorporated in one bill. He recently having the motives of the committee impugned by Schuebel.

BOND ISSUE FOR NEW BUILDINGS IS URGED

Legislators Are Considering Reconstruction Work.

ELECTION MAY BE CALLED

Funds Provided Soon for Needed Public Structures Would Help Solve Soldier Problem.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(The calling of a special election in June to vote upon the construction of public buildings as a means of helping to solve the employment problem of the returned soldiers and sailors, is being considered by the reconstruction committee of the Washington Legislature, met with the Oregon lawmakers for a frank discussion of industrial conditions. The proposal to call a special bond election next June was made by W. B. Ayer, chairman of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief Commission. Mr. Ayer appeared before the committee upon request and urged need of legislation to relieve an industrial crisis. Special Election Urged. The Oregon Legislature, it was tentatively agreed, should call a special election in June to pass on the proposed bond issue, or appropriate money at this session and leave it to the people to ratify this action. Under the latter method, it was explained, the immediate arrangements could be made for the construction of necessary public buildings. The building of a new State Penitentiary, new buildings at educational institutions and the proposed new hospital at Portland were three projects suggested. The Washington delegation, through its chairman, Senator Rockwell, of Seattle, informed the Oregon legislators that the Washington Legislature has appropriated funds to take care of all the state's building needs for the next five years. The 6 per cent limitation statute of Oregon precludes this Legislature from taking any such action without reference to the people. Situation Serious One. Senator Rockwell asserted that the L. W. W. and Bolsheviki situation in the Northwest is a serious one, and characterized the entire situation as employment to soldiers as one of self-defense on the part of the Northwest.

"These boys of ours went over to France and made good soldiers," he said. "We cannot let them return and become bad citizens. We must give them employment. The Government has failed, and that makes it more important that we act promptly. If we do not act promptly, the Bolsheviki and the L. W. W. will gather them in." Representative Connor, of Seattle, declared that an industrial crisis is at hand, and that both Portland and Seattle are seething with labor unrest. Labor Conditions Bad. Representative Hurley, of Portland, said that labor conditions are bad. The problem, he declared, is not only to give suitable employment to the returned soldiers, but to give them work for the men whom the soldiers will displace. L. E. Boise, chairman of the land settlement commission, said that very little immediate relief could be expected from that source. The failure of the government to make sufficient appropriations, he said, was responsible for present unsatisfactory conditions. The reconstruction committee, at another meeting to be held tomorrow, will take up the question of the proposed June election and from sentiment expressed tonight there is every reason to believe that this Legislature will authorize the referendum election. The delegation from Washington included Senators Rockwell and Allen, and Representatives Connor, Smith and Allen. The committee will go to Boise tomorrow to ask the federal legislators to co-operate with them in reconstruction legislation.

101 NEW BILLS INTRODUCED

Hereafter Legislative Committee Will Pass on All New Measures.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special).—One hundred and one new bills found their way to the calendar clerk's desk in the House today, and the members working under the prod that today was the last day for filing bills. In the future, to the end of the session, all new bills must be scrutinized by a legislative committee before they can be introduced. Speaker Jones has not yet decided on the personnel of this committee. The titles of the new bills introduced in the House today follow: H. B. 324, by Sheldon—Providing for Oregon reconstruction commission to investigate reconstruction problems. Providing for special election October 14, 1919, to vote on measures referred by Legislature. H. B. 325, by Sheldon and Ideman—Appropriating \$100,000 to provide appropriate meals for Oregon soldiers and sailors. H. B. 326, by Sheldon—Appropriating \$125,000 for new cellulose unit at prison. H. B. 327, by Gordon—Providing for distribution of funds from interstate bridge. H. B. 328, by Mrs. Thompson (by request)—Regulating stock running at large. H. B. 329, by Gordon (by request)—Regulating dairy products. H. B. 330, by Mrs. Thompson—To protect water of cities and towns from pollution. H. B. 331, by Schuebel—Limiting amounts received by state institutions to 6 per cent over preceding appropriations. H. B. 332, by Sheldon—Providing for 8-hour day. H. B. 333, by Mrs. Thompson—Requiring juries to be taxpayers, as question of competency. H. B. 334, by Thrift—Relating to attesting worthless checks. H. B. 335, by Thrift—Providing for county meat inspectors. H. B. 336, by Thrift—Providing for payment of indemnity on certain livestock in Cook. H. B. 337, by Merryman—Relating to irrigation of lands. H. B. 338, by Woodson—Relating to ditching and diking. H. B. 339, by Gordon—Limiting time of action to test validity of drainage district. H. B. 340, by Schuebel—To reimburse counties on Pacific Highway. H. B. 341, by Schuebel—To prohibit employment of legislative committee on claims of Highway Commission. H. B. 342, by Coffey (by request of African-American League)—Extending equal privileges in hotels, theaters and other public places regardless of race. H. B. 343, by Ideman (by request)—Relating to vacancies at nominating elections. H. B. 344, by Ideman (by request)—Relating to vacancies at general elections. H. B. 345, by Griffis—Relating to breeding of sheep. H. B. 346, by Lafferty—Fixing salaries of officers of Benton County. H. B. 347, by Lafferty—Appropriating \$80,000 for engineering building at Oregon Agricultural College. H. B. 348, by Lofgren (by request)—Creating county board of public morals. H. B. 349, by Merryman (by request)—Appropriating \$3500 for hatchery on Umpqua. H. B. 350, by Lofgren—Relating to licensing of physicians. H. B. 351, by Richards—Providing juris-

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By means of the peculiar construction of Weed Chains an effective traction surface is mechanically and automatically laid in front of the tires as shown in the illustration, just as if a carpet of pebbles were placed on the road so that the rubber tires have something to take hold on when the roads are wet and slippery.

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dictation of circuit courts cease on appeal to Supreme Court.

H. B. 354, by Richards (by request)—Requiring both men and women to secure medical certificates before issuance of marriage license.

H. B. 355, by Elmore—Prohibiting prostitution.

H. B. 356, by Elmore—Providing for removal from office for misfeasance or nonfeasance.

H. B. 357, by Elmore—Relating to conveyances of lands.

H. B. 358, by Elmore—Relating to dower and curtesy.

H. B. 359, by Richardson—Creating land settlement fund and providing \$3,000,000 bond issue.

H. B. 360, by Richardson—Removing millage tax from support of normal and providing for 6 per cent increase in support each year.

H. B. 361, by Richardson—Removing millage tax from highway fund and providing for 6 per cent increase in support.

H. B. 362, by Richardson—Removing millage tax from University of Oregon and providing for 6 per cent increase in support.

H. B. 363, by Richardson—Removing millage tax from O. R. C. and providing 6 per cent increase.

H. B. 364, by Burdick—Fixing terms of court of 15th Judicial District.

H. B. 365, by Burdick—Fixing salary of Justice of Peace.

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H. B. 368, by Burdick—Providing for public administrators.

H. B. 369, by Lofgren—Repealing sections relating to regulation of plumbing.

H. B. 370, by Ballagh—Providing for assessment of taxes on real estate.

H. B. 371, by Gordon—Allowing ports to sell under order of assessed valuation.

H. B. 372, by Gordon—Enabling ports to transport lines to 1 per cent of assessed valuation.

H. B. 373, by Dodd—Providing for cities and towns and counties maintaining public parks.

H. B. 374, by Martin—Providing for right of eminent domain and referendum powers by cities and towns.

H. B. 375, by McFarland—Fish and game commission.

H. B. 376, by McFarland—Relinquishing to United States rights of state over Malheur National Forest.

H. B. 377, by McFarland—For relief of Malheur National Forest.

H. B. 378, by Polk County delegation—To authorize road funds for Falls City.

H. B. 379, by Hurd—Relating to official newspapers.

H. B. 380, by Clatsop delegation—Providing for regulation of counties into road districts.

H. B. 381, by Roman (by request)—Making it unlawful to kill certain birds from an airplane.

H. B. 382, by Westerman—Placing threshold on counties (Baker)—Relating to counties.

H. B. 383, by Jackson County delegation—Fixing salary of Treasurer of Jackson County.

H. B. 384, by Weeks—Providing for using convict clearing lands in Cascade Mountains.

H. B. 385, by Weeks—Relating to stock at large in Marion County.

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H. B. 388, by Gordon—Relating to town plan and zoning (Baker).

H. B. 389, by Martin (by request)—Relating to assessments of public service corporations.

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H. B. 391, by Woodson (by request)—Making shearing of sheep and docking of cattle unlawful.

H. B. 392, by Childs—Relating to candidates' fees.

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H. B. 394, by Childs—Relating to grants and gifts.

H. B. 395, by Childs—Relating to certain animals running at large.

H. B. 396, by Hare—Prohibiting sale of state bonds at par until after failure by advertisement to secure par bid.

H. B. 397, by Hare—Relating to advertising to secure par bid.

H. B. 398, by Dennis—Fixing seasons for certain animals running at large.

H. B. 399, by Smith (Baker)—Fixing salaries of district judges.

H. B. 400, by Smith (Baker)—Fixing salary of Treasurer of Baker County.

H. B. 401, by Smith (Baker)—Relating to shipments of hides and carcasses.

H. B. 402, by Fuller—Relating to bounties on rodents.

H. B. 403, by Thrift—Relating to prohibition of legislative committee on claims of Highway Commission.

H. B. 404, by committee on education—Providing for central fund in counties of \$10 per capita.

H. B. 405, by Heaford—Repealing law relating to chaplain at Penitentiary.

H. B. 406, by Gordon—Relating to liens for rent due and rents to become due.

H. B. 407, by Merryman—Requiring charters driving to be filed with county clerk.

H. B. 408, by Merryman—Relating to stage operators and filing of time schedules.

H. B. 409, by Lafferty—Relating to summoning jurors.

H. B. 410, by Fuller (by request)—Relating to divorce.

H. B. 411, by Kubi—Providing method for students at educational institutions to vote.

H. B. 412, by Coffey—Creating interstate bridge commission.

H. B. 413, by Lofgren (by request)—Reimbursing John Almetzer for money lost on contract on University of Oregon meeting.

H. B. 414, by Bean (by request)—Making permanent nearly grand jurors.

H. B. 415, by Lewis—Giving extra pri-



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H. B. 417, by Smith (Baker)—Relating to estate.

H. B. 418, by Ballagh—Fixing salary of State Engineer at \$4200.

H. B. 419, by Martin (by request)—Requiring dried fruit, etc. to carry Oregon brand.

H. B. 420, by Graham (Lane)—Fixing salary of Corporation Commissioner at \$4200.

H. B. 421, by Graham (Lane)—Fixing salary of Corporation Commissioner at \$4200.

H. B. 422, by agricultural committee—Appropriating \$20,000 for cost of milk and dairy investigations.

HOUSE PASSES 12 MEASURES

Salary Increase Voted Superintendent of Schools.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special).—The following bills passed the house today:

H. B. 161, by Burdick—Allowing irrigation and drainage districts to sell land.

H. B. 162, by Ballagh—Fixing salaries of officers of Columbia County.

H. B. 163, by Jones (Lincoln and Polk)—Fixing terms of court for second Judicial District.

H. B. 164, by Thrift—Fixing salaries of officers of Coos County.

H. B. 165, by Jones (Lincoln and Polk)—Fixing salaries of County Judge of Lincoln County.

H. B. 124, by Smith (Baker)—Increasing salaries of State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

H. B. 125, by McFarland—Regulating practice of dentistry.

H. B. 126, by Schuebel—Authorizing levying of tax by county courts for rodent bounties.

H. B. 127, by Lafferty—Providing for county courts, distributing agricultural lime.

H. B. 128, by Elmore—Relating to town plan.

VANCOUVER UNIONS TO VOTE

Protest for Closing of Theaters to Labor Meetings Considered.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 2.—The Vancouver Trades and Labor Council has sent out a call to all unions to hold a special meeting to decide whether a general strike should be called as a result of the refusal of the proprietors of motion picture theaters to grant the use of their buildings to the Socialist and Federated Labor parties for Sunday night meetings.

Recently the proprietors returned the check for rent tendered by these parties, stating the buildings would no longer be available for the meetings previously held.

COFFEY BILL CAUSES DEBATE

Election and Reduced Salary for School Clerk Provided.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special).—The intention, by Representative Coffey, today in a debate upon a bill by Representative Richards to make the school clerk of Portland elective and reduce his salary to \$2500 from \$4200, was inspired by personal motives to attack the school clerk, aroused the ire of Richards, who denied the use of their buildings to the Socialist and Federated Labor parties for Sunday night meetings.

This, nevertheless, did not prevent the bill from passing.

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