HEAD OF ASYLUM PRAISED, REBUKED

Dr. Steiner's Management Is Commended by Committee, Some Expense Unwise.

WAY OF BUYING DISLIKED

More Pay for Physicians Recommended That They May Maintain Own Homes-System of Accounts Is Extelled.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Censure and commendation of Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the State Insans Asylum, are intermingled in the report of the special legislative investigating committee, filed with the House today.

The findings of the committee were not unexpected, being manifestly a compromise reached among the five members—Jones of Clarkamas, chairman; Clemens of Multnomah, Beals of Tillamook, Buckley of Gilliam and Collins of Multnomah. ins of Multnomah.

Tillamook, Buckley of Ginata
lins of Multnomab.

The committee inderses the purposes
of the receiving ward on which work
was begun by Superintendent Steiner,
but declares the money appropriated
by the Legislature and used in beginning the construction of this building
was intended by the Legislature for
building another wing only. The committee points out that the unintended
use of this appropriation cannot be
charged alone to Superintendent Steiner since the plans for the proposed
elaborate building were approved by
the Board of Trustees of the institution.

Outlay Called Unwise.

In its report the committee pro-nounces as unwise and extravagant the expenditure of \$16,000 for the building of the physicians' cottages and the fur-ther expenditure of more than \$2500 for furnishing the same. Then it suggests that the salaries of the doctors at the institution should be increased, that they may maintain their own homes. In this connection the committee makes In this connection the committee makes the further suggestion to the Legislature that the members of that body should ascertain first such appropriations as are required for the several state institutions and, after making the appropriations, see to it that the money so appropriated is expended only for the purpose for which it was voted. Although the asylum farm, managed in connection with the main institution, yields a return of about 25 per cent on the original investment, the committee declares that if placed in the hands of a competent farmer its earnings would be increased.

Purchase Method Condemned.

Some criticism is made of the practice of purchasing in the open marekt supplies for this institution, aggregating about \$20,000 annually. Under a different method, suggests the committee, a saving of at least 20 per cent could be effected to the state. The committee, however, makes no recommendation as to what system should be substituted for the one now followed. While a larger number of employes is maintained at the institution than under the former administration, the committee finds that as a result the unfortunate patients are accorded more Some criticism is made of the pracnfortunate patients are accorded more In part the findings of the committee

Care Deemed Excellent. "We are convinced after investigaforded the inmates of the hospital are

From testimony we have taken w find the institution was considerably run down (from lack of the appropria-tion of 1905) at the time the present superintendent took charge, and much credit is due him for improved con-ditions. The main buildings we find to be somewhat congested, but this condition we find will be relieved by the construction of the Eastern Oregon hospital for the insune and the new

"At the Cottage Farm we find three buildings that are old and entirely lacking in fire protection and in means of egress. We find the laundry and the drying-room are directly over the drying-room are directly over the pumping plant and the engine-room, so that fire originating in either laundry or drying-room, where fire is most likely to occur, would immediately render useless the whole pumping plant. We strongly recommend better fire protection at Cottage Farm.

Attendants More Numerous.

"We find that the relative number ministration is larger than under the ministration is larger than under the former administration, yet we believe this increase to be reasonable and proper and that it has resulted in better and more humane treatment and care of patients. We also believe it would be better policy to pay the doctors more salary and lot them maintain their own homes.

While it appears from the stateherewith submitted that the farm shows a profit, yet we believe with a different management it could show a far greater profit, by which we mean that the employment of the num-ber of employes now used on the Asy-lum farm with work done by inmates result in greater gain to the the farm were under the

central of a competent farmer. We find that under the system of purchasing at this institution there are purchases made annually on the open market in the sum of approximately 120,000, some of which are at prices higher, by 20 per cent, than those at which the articles could be purchased under a different method.

Warmth Not Sufficient.

We find that by the 13th biennial report of the board of trustees and the report of the board of trustees and the superintendent of this institution, on page 21, it was estimated that \$300 would be required for asbestos for heating system and an appropriation was asked for this purpose and granted by the Legislature of 1305, but no money was used for said purpose and we find that the inmates, numbering about 50, in wards II and 35 are uncomfortable because of the low temperature, which on the day of the comcomfortable because of the low temperature, which on the day of the committee's visit was 52 degrees F. and from sworn testimony of witnesses we find that the temperature cannot be raised above 50 degrees F.

"We also find on said page 21 of said report an estimate of \$30.70 required for open courts in wards 22, 33, 24 and 35. The Legislature of 1909 appropriated this money for this pur-

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as requested and expected.
"We also find on said page 21 of said report an estimate made of \$5000 for an amusement hall of concrete and brick. The Legislature of 1909 apbrick. The Legislature of 1909 propriated money for this purpose, new find that \$8149.48 has been

that a further appropriation is now re-quired for its completion.

Expense Called Extravagant.

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"We find that something like \$15,500 was expended in building and furnishing two physicians cottages at the
asylum. This amount we find to be extravagant and in the furnishing of
these cottages we find that \$2576.35 of
the maintenance fund was used. This
your committee believes to be unwise.

"We would suggest that in the matter of these appropriations the Legislature should first determine the
amounts necessary for the several
items for which money is appropriated
and then make appropriations for particular sums of money for specific
items. We have carefully inspected the
new receiving ward and find it to be
a well-built, modern, thoroughly fireproof building and well equipped for
the purposes for which it was intended,
which is for the receiving of new patients and treating the same keeping
them from being thrown into the company of chronic insane until they are
prenounced incurable. There is no
question in our opinion that the results
will be of great benefit to the unfortunates who will hereafter be sent to
this institution, and in no sense do we
want it to be construed that we wish
to criticise the purpose for which it
was intended.

Account System Praised.

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"But inasmuch as the superintendent came before the Legislature in 1909 and requested \$125,000 for building a new receiving ward and hydrotherapeutic plant and the Legislature did appropriate \$100,000 for this purpose, we feel that it was not the desire or purpose of the Legislature that the money appropriated should be expended in a building of this character and cost, which, in its present condition, without further expenditure of money, would be practically useless for the purpose for which it was intended, and that the Legislature of 1909 expected the money appropriated would be used to build a complete building. And it is the opinion of your committee that a less elaborate building would have served the purpose, but in justice to the superintendent we wish to call attention to the fact that the plans for the building were submitted to and approved by the board of trustees,

"We are pleased to report that the system of bookkeeping accounts and the records of the institution are in excellent condition and the system of bookkeeping particularly commendable."

HOUSE WOULD AID STUDENTS

Approval Put on Plan to Reimburse

Some With Travel Expenses. STATE CAPITOL. Salem. Or. Feb. 13.

—(Special.)—Senator Nottingham's bill. providing that students attending the Menmouth Normal shall be reimbursed their travel pay from their homes to the institution and return, passed the House today with only a few dissenting votes. Buchanan and Peterson, in speaking for the measure, said it was in keeping with the announced wishes of the people of the state to maintain only one normal school and proposed a method by which the advantages of the school might be enjoyed by those wishing to attend although residing in remote sections of the state.

The bill provides that the actual expense of traveling in order to reach the institution shall be paid to all students residing 100 miles or more from the school. These expenses are to be paid out of the fund created by the people of the state last November when they voted a special standing tax of one-tenth of 1 mill for the maintenance of the Monmouth Institution. STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18.

PEOPLE'S WISHES BLOCKED

Senate Passes Bill Repealing Initiative Fish Measure.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18.
—(Special)—With but little argument
the Senate today passed the Peirce bill
repealing the initiative bill closing Rogue River against commercial fish-ing. Chase spoke briefly in favor of repealing the people's measure, declaring that it is plain an injustice has been done. You der Hellen protested against the measure on behalf of his stituents. Voting on the bill was as

Abraham, Burrett of Umatilla, Yeas—Abraham, Barrett of Umatilla, Barrett of Washington, Bowerman, Burgess, Calkins, Carson, Chase, Haw-ley, Hoskins, Locke, Merryman, Norton, Nottingham, Oliver, Parrish, Patton,

Nays—Albee, Bean, Joseph, Dimick, Kellaher, Lester, Malarkey, McColloch, Miller, Von der Hellen, Wood, Selling

BOX IS MADE STANDARD

LAW PASSED AT SALEM SATIS-FACTORY TO GROWERS:

Size Is Adapted to Apple Pack That Has Made Oregon Product Famous Everywhere.

STATE CAPITOL. Salem. Or., Feb. 18. (Special.)—"This standard apple box pre-scribed in the bill that has passed the Legislature is the standard now for British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Oregon," said Representa-tive Westerlund, 'ntroducer of the meas-ure, today.

"This is the box desired by the grow rans as against the box described in the Lafoan bill, which was defeated in Congress. The Lafoan box is the one desired in the East. These men object to our box because they say that "it does not contain quite a bushel. But, as a matter of fact, our box contains as near the bashel as is facelible in making the matter of fact, our box contains as near a bushel as is feasible in making the fine apple pack that has made Oregon famous. That pack has largely made our apple industry the success that it is and the growers insist on having a standard size box which will also keep the pack up to the standard.

"Oregon has been behind the rest of the Northwest states in this respect and our bill now puts us on the same plane.

plane.
"The special box provided is somewhat larger and may be used by the growers who prefer it, and that amendment was perfectly satisfactory to us, as added in the Senate."

Representative Westerlund said that recovers had given virtually unanimous

growers had given virtually unanimous approval to the standard box, as incor-porated in the bill. Governor West has not yet determined his action as to the Westerlund bill.

Majority Vote Up to People.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18.

—(Special.)—Providing for a constitutional amendment to be submitted to the voters which would require a majority of all votes cast to pass a constitutional amendment through the initiative and referendum, a resolution was passed today which will place such proposed amendment on the ballot at sed amendment on the ballot at the next general election

Fire Marshal Loses.

STATE CAFITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18. -(Special)-The Hollis bill creating the office of State Fire Marshal, was killed in the Senate today.



SENATE THWARTS AX OVER BAILEY

Senators Kellaher and Sinnott

Upper House Defeats Bill Representatives Passed to Oust Official.

ASSAILED GOVERNOR IS

Denounces West for Threatening Legislature if It Did Not Remove Dairy Commissioner-Vote 16 to 13.

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House had refused to abolish the

EXTRAVAGANCE IS CHARGED

Albee, Defending Committee, Says

Legislature Made Increases.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18.

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—(Special.)—Reflections on the lack of economy of the ways and means committee were cast by Senator Nottingham today when a bill appropriating \$10,000 for a Southern Oregon experiment station was recommended.

"It seems to me the ways and means committee was organized this session in such a manner as to be anything but economical," said Nottingham. "The Legislature has been raiding the treasury and it is time to call a halt."

Albee, chairman of the ways and means committee, resented Nottingham's remarks, declaring that the ways and means committee 'and seen nearly

and means committee 'and seen nearly every one of its recommendations in-

creased by the Legislature, and said

that Nottingham had urged most of the increases in the Sonate and had stood for nearly all of the appropria-tions in the ways and means committee.

HOLLIS SURRENDERS STAMPS

Legislator Refuses to Carry Surplus

All Taxation Bills Die.

—(Special.)—All measures dealing with inxation were killed one after another in the Senate today, owing to the creation of a committee to investigate and frame measures for submission to the people.

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The bill was finally passed.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18. (Special.)—J. W. Balley, State Dairy and Food Commissioner, will not be ousted from office by the present Legislature. abolishment of the present office of State Dairy and Food Commissioner and for the creation of the office of State Dairy and Pure Food Commissioner, falled in the Senate this afternoon after practically two hours had been consumed in discussing Bailey and the bill. The hill was introduced by Thompson. It provided that Professor Kent, of the Oregon Agricultural College, succeed Bailey.

McColloch outlined the report of the last investigation. practically two hours had been c

last investigating committee and was followed by Joseph, who talked nearly an hour in defense of Bailey. Barrett of Washington also spoke in favor of Balley, while Albee advocated his removal.

Abraham Raps Governor.

Abraham spoke strongly in reference Abraham spoke strongly in reference to the declaration of Governor West.

"The Governor declares that he will veto somebody's pet measure unless Batley is put out of office," he said.
"Senator Joseph has always been a staunch supporter of the administration, but now he has the courage to stand against the administration, and I say he is more houorable than a Governor who allows such a statement to be printed in the leading journal in Oregon, and allows if to so uncontradicted. and allows if to go uncontradicted.
"What a cringing cur would the man

be who would vote against the dictates of his conscience to dishonor his state merely to save one of "s pet measures valued at \$20,000."

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Following is the vote by which the Senate decided to substitute a minority report for a majority report of the committee on the measure, the minority report being favorable to the bill and a vote for it meaning that it would favor throwing Ba'ley out of office:

Yeas—Albee, Chase, Dimick, Hawley, Hoskins, Kellaher, Locke, Malarkey, McColloch, Miller, Patton, Oliver, Selling—12.

Nays-Abraham, Barrett of Washington, Barrett of Umatilla, Bean, Bowerman, Burgess, Calkins, Carson, Joseph, Lester, Merryman, Nottingham, Parrish, Sinnott, Von der Hellen, Wood-ië.

Some Defend Bailey.

While the Thompson bill was before the House, Miller of Columbia denounced it as an outrage, since it proposed legis-lating out of office and at the same time naming a successor to a public official

had been proved.

Bigelow sa'd the incumbent, while possibly not dishonest, had done things not in keeping with the conduct of an honest state official. Abrams was the only Representative to raise his voice in defense of the accused official, who, he insisted, was not d'ahonest, although several years out-of-date with the requirements of such an office.

The bill passed the House by a vote of 84 to 19. Those voting against the bill

were:
Abrams, Beals, Chumbers, Chapman,
Chatten, Church, Cottel, Eaton, Johnson,
Leinenweber, Mariner, Miller of Columbia, Peirce, Peterson, Reynolds, Smith,
Steelhammer, Sutton, Tigard—19.

SENATE RIGHT, SAYS LAWYER

Samuel White, Attorney for Bailey, Sees Justice in Step.

"I am not at all surprised at the ac-tion of the State Senate in this case," said Samuel White, attorney for J. W. Bailey, State Food and Dairy Commis-sioner when informed that the Upper

EGONOMY PLEDGE Governor Says There Will Be No Need for Anti-Defi-

STATE NOT TO BE PAUPER | Seven Lawyers Provided as Investi-

ciency Measure.

In Grave Emergency, Boards Will Have Power to Buy Needed Materials-Increase of Judge's Salary Not Approved.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 13. Special.)-In two of the five vetoes he sent to the Legislature today, Governor West promised that there would be no deficiencies during his term as Governor, unless "caused by the acts of God or the unless "caused by the acts of God or the public enemy," as he said in one of the messages. The bills were designed to vided that nonregistered voters should of State should not audit a claim for six freeholders are required to sign W. F. Drager, Chief Clerk of the House. of State should not audit a claim for which an appropriation had not been usde, and the other made state officials and employes financially responsible for fice now held by Balley and ratify the creation of a new office. "I do not see how they could do anything else contheir acts. Vetoing the first named bill,

how they could do anything else conscientiously. There is nothing in any of the testimony adduced at any of the inquiries which would indicate anything illegal or malfeasance in office on the part of Mr. Bailey. This howl raised against Mr. Bailey was made by prejudiced persons, who brought charges which they were unable to substantiate. The Multnomah County grand jury investigated and found nothing tangible on which to act, and no report, as far as I know, has been made in which my client is found guitty of the charges. I believe the action of the Senate is based on testimony submitted in the hearing of the charges against Commissioner Bailey." the Governor said: "Deficiencies are bad and good busi-"Deficiencies are bad and good busi-ness demands that they be not allowed but there is no demand for such radical legislation as is offered by this bill. Should it become a law and the Legisla-ture at any time intentionally or through oversight fall to provide funds sufficient for the maintenance of the several insti-tutions, or should a fire destroy any of the buildings and necessitate repairs or the buildings and necessitate repairs reconstruction of said buildings, the Board would be absolutely helpless.

Governor Gives Pledge.

"The state, in such case, would be placed in the position of a pauper debtor, who, pressed for the necessities of life, was compelled to pledge his word alone for supplies to meet his needs and to pay such prices and accept such goods and conditions as would be handed to him. This would not be good, but bad, business, nd it stamps the measure as a vicious

"The demand for the bill grows out of "The demand for the bill grows out of the past practice of old boards in allowing large deficiencies to accumulate at the end of each bleunial period. This the present boards propose to avoid, and in behalf of these boards I promise you the affairs of this state will be so conducted during the next bleunial period as to give you no cause to wish the enactment of this measure."

Extending the thought to the second bill, the Governor said:

"Insamuch as there are going to be

bill, the Governor said:
"Inasmuch as there are going to be
no deficiencies during this administration, unless they be caused by acts of
God or the public enemy, the passage
of such a bill is unnecessary and would
only encumber our statute books with
useless laws and further complicate our already complicated system of govern-

"I pledge you that the affairs of this state will be so conducted during this administration that they will stand as a justification for this veto.

Tide Land Bill Disapproved. Disapproving Chase's bill, which

would have permitted ports and mu-nicipalities to acquire state tidelands without cost, the Governor said: "The tide lands of this state have been in the past, and are now, sold to a limited extent for the benefit of the common school fund, and at the prices STATE CAPITOL Salem, Or. Feb. 18.

—(Special.)—Representative Hollis of Washington today gave unmistakable evidence of consistency when he turned over to the Secretary of State's office stamps and newspaper wrappers aggregating \$6 in value and in feturn received the receipt of that official.

Throughout the session Judge Hollis carried out the expressed wishes of his constituents and with almost unfailing common school fund, and at the prices now demanded by the State Land Board are a considerable source of revenue to the common schools. The school children of Harney and Lake Counties now derive thereform equal benefits with those of Coos and Clatsop. Should this bill become a law it will result in depriving such inland counties of part of an aiready scanty source of school revenue. Should the several ports need any of these tide lands for purposes in connection with the improvement of their harbors, it is no more than right that they should be required to pay for them prices equivalent to their market value. constituents and with almost unfailing record voted against all appropriation bills. In view of this record, the Washington County Representative did not feel that he could place himself liable to a charge of inconsistency by carrying a few postage stamps home with him.

"The bill gives the said ports full power to lease, for an unlimited period, any and all lands thus acquired. This is a power which could easily be abused and is one of the most objectionable

features of the bill.

"Furthermore, the status of the tide lands is now being fully thrashed out in the courts of this state and the question which will be decided is whether

our tide lands can be sold or disposed of, as other lands of the state, or must be held in trust for the people."

Judge's Salary Not Increased.

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The Governor refers to the people's veto of another salary bill in his message of disapproval of Thompson's bill to increase the salary of Judge Henry L Benson \$1000 a year. He says:

"At the last general election the people of this state were asked to express their sentiment upon identically the same measure, except that it went to the salary of the judge of the Third Judicial District. At that time they voiced their opinion by casting 13.161 votes for the increase and 71,503 against it. And on this subject, too, the people of the Thirteenth District were at that time heard, by a vote in Klamath Country of 260 for and \$33 against the increase, and \$2 for and 411 against in Lake Country.

"I do not believe the people have changed their minds on this question and L as one of them, am of the opinion, that a convent salary of \$3000 is com-

changed their minds on this question and I as one of them, am of the opinion that an annual salary of \$3000 is commensurate with the services rendered by the Circuit Judge of the Thirtsenth District."

Thompson's bill relating to conveyance of property was returned with the

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following comment:
"The bill will open the way for fraud
and may result in the confinement of
sane but helpless victims in asylums by designing persons in order to deprive them of certain property rights. The bill is objectionable in that it removes bill is objectionable in that it removes that beneficial provision in the present law which permits a husband or wife of an insane patient to sell and convey any and all real estate acquired during the continuance of such disability; and persons acquiring real estate during the confinement of the husband or wife in such an institution must await the lapse of a five-year period before being able to sell or dispose of the same."

COUNTY ATTORNEYS NEAR LAW

Senate Passes Bill House Approved District Prosecutors Provided,

STATE CAPITOL. Salem, Or., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—By a vote of 19 for to 8 against, one of the most sweeping pieces of legislation adopted this session passed the Senate tonight. It was the Hollis bill providing for creation of County Attorneys, which will go into effect if it receives the sanction of the Governor.

By this bill every county in the state is given a Prosecuting Attorney, with the exception of Union and Wallowa, which were left a joint district at the urgent request of Senator Oliver,

MULTNOMAH TO BE DISTRICT

Members of Congress Given County, and to East and West. STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18.

(Special.)—Unless Governor West objects, which is considered as only a remote possibility, Multnomah County will have one Representative in Congress under Mahoney's redistricting bill, which passed the Senate today.

The districts as they stand in the bill place Multnomah by herself and give districts to Eastern and Western Oregon. JUDICIAL INQUIRY PROPOSED

gators of Present System.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18. -(Special.)-Plans for an investigation into the whole question of revising the judicial system are incorporated in a bill which has passed both houses. The bill provides that seven lawyers shall be appointed to conduct this investigation. Two must reside east of the Cascade Mountains.

House Turns Down Carson's Bill.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem. Or., Feb. 18. —(Special.)—Amendment of the registration law as it exists was turned down by the House today, when it requiring to pass Senator Carson's bill requiring County Assessors to make the such an affidavit. Gill and Belland objected to the bill because it might open the way to fraud. Buchanan argued that the Assessors already had all the work they could perform satis-factorily without the additional duty of taking the registration. The bill exempted Multnomah County from its provisions.

CHIEF CLERK EXALTED

HOUSE WANTS SECRETARY'S AID TO BE OFFICIAL.

Albee's Bill Authorizing Subaltern to Act in Superior's Absence Passes After Fight.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—After McKinney and Brooke falled in repeated attempts either to secure the indefinite postponement or rereference of the measure to committee for amendment, the House this afternoon passed Senator Albee's bill authorizing the chief cierk in the Secretary of State's office to act officially during the absence of the Secretary.

absence of the Secretary.

Opponents of the bill wanted it amended to give the chief clerk a vote on the State Board. The effect of such an amendment would have been to restore the bill to the same form as the Bowerman bill which was voted. man bill, which was voted.

In the debate, McKinney accused Republican members of the House supporting the bill of playing Democratic politics, but the accusation was hurled back at the Baker County man with the as-sertion that the Republicanism of such members compared favorably with his. Buchanan alleged that the veto of the Bowerman bill furnished evidence of a political machine. He said the only purpose of the veto was that the Democratic machine might retain control the state administration, with only two members on the State Board. Enton defended the bill as being in the best interest of the state and the con-duct of its affairs and declared that the question of politics should not enter into the consideration of the merits of the

Fouts held that any bill making the chief clerk of the Secretary's office a member of the State Board and giving him the right to vote on that Board

would be unconstitutional.

In explaining his vote against the bill,
Mahoney aprair agreething In explaining his vote against the bill, when he announced that the letter, purported to have been written by Secretary of State Benson and indorsing the Albee bill, was signed in typewriting. After an hour's filibustering, the bill passed by 55 to 15.

House Allows Second Assistant.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18. -(Special.)-A second assistant, or brief clerk in the Attorney-General's ffice under Buchanan's bill as it was finally agreed to, was allowed today by the two houses. The salary of this assistant, fixed at \$1500 in the original bill, was reduced to \$1200. It is under-ated that W. P. Lord, Jr., son of the late ex-Governor Lord, will get the po-

SECRET COMPACT BARS MULTNOMAH

Agreement Signed by 18 Senators to Block All Reapportionment.

COUNTY'S LOSS EXPLAINED

Upper House Postpones Joseph's Bill Indefinitely With Aid of Parties to Plot Against State's Biggest District.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18. -(Special.)-"We, the undersigned members of the State Senate of the members of the State Senate of the 16th regular biennial session, promise each other and mutually bind ourselves that we will vote against and oppose in every way any bill having for its purpose the changing in any way manner or form of the present representation in this body and the House, but we will least upon any typical for the

we will insist upon and vote for only such bills as propose to leave the representation and redistricting of the state ever as it is now."

The above, signed by 13 members of the Senate, spells the reason why Multnomah County will have no larger representation in the State Legislature when it meets in its next blennial session and explains why, without scarcewhen it meets in its next bleaning ses-sion and explains why, without scarce-ly any friction, the Senate this after-noon postponed indefinitely the Joseph reapportlemment legislation as far as this session is concerned.

Pact Signers Hidden.

Profound secrecy is maintained as to Profound secrecy is maintained as to the members of the Senate who signed the above binding pact to keep the representation in the Legislature as it is at present. While it is evident that some of the signers at the who took part in the indefinite postponement of the Joseph bill this afternoon, the vote was not by rollcall and was so general that more than 18 aided in the indefinite postponement. It is impossible to nite postponement. It is impossible to determine from the pell who the men are who signed the compact and who are who signed the compact and who are the men who know nothing of it.

Every member of the Senate has kept his lips scaled as to this pact made more than a week ago and it was only by accident it was discovered.

Selling's Friends Included.

It is known, however, that among the signatures are those of nine men the signatures are those of nine men who supported Selling in his race for the Speakership and that some of the signers are among the minority party. Not a member of the Multnomah dele-gation was allowed a peep on the secret, and they have all been stand-ing for a larger representation in that county.

The outside members are those who The outside members are those who reached a determination to block any reapportionment bill which they believed might result in a material decrease of representation for their respective districts.

When the Joseph reapportionment bill was before a committee of the whole this afternoon Senator Bowerman moved that it be postponed indefinitely.

definitely.
"It is so late in the session and it is evident that it will be impossible for this session to complete a satisfactory reapportionment bill and pass it," said Bowerman. "It is useless for us to con-tinue consideration of the present bill."

President's Plea Futile. President Selling objected, saying that the Senators have been derelict in their duty in not framing a bill that

"I believe Multnomah County is entitled to an increased representation," he said, "but do not stand on the ground that she should have all she is entitled to. That would give us a third of the representation, as we pay 35 per cent of the taxes and have a third of the population, but I believe Multnomah should have an additional

epresentation."
The plea failed, however, and indefinite postponement followed.

CHINESE PHEASANTS SAVED

Both Houses Agreed on Extending Closed Season Until 1913. STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18 .-

(Special.)—Important among the game laws passed at this session were bills prohibiting the killing of Chinese pheasants until the open season in the Fall of 1913.

The necessity for this legislation to prevent the complete annihilation of this game bird was apparent to the legislators and the bills passed without substantial opposition in either house.

New County Creation Plan Passes.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18 .-(Special.) — Among the meritorious measures passed by the Legislature was Senator Wood's bill prescribing a plan for the creation of new counties. Under its provisions a vote of 35 per cent of its provisions a vote of 35 per cent of the voters of the county or counties of which the proposed new county shall consist and 65 per cent of the voters of the territory forming the proposed new county are required before such a county can be legally created. In its op-eration this bill will solve the question of exceller new counties which has an of creating new counties or creating countered the ballot in the general elec-tions for some time. Not less than a dozen such proposals were submitted to the voters in the election last November

Bill Gives New "J. P."

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 18. - (Special.)—Another Justice of the Peace is given to Multnomah County by provisions of Fouts' bill, which passed the Senate this afternoon.

Great Medicine for Weak or Diseased Kidneys

Terrible results often come from neglected kidneys or bladder. Pains in the back, frequent desire to urinate, highly colored or scalding urine, rheunatic pains in the joints, disziness, are the most common symptoms of kidney trouble. A sure and reliable remedy trouble. A sure and reliable remedy should be secured at once. The following formula is considered one of the best known. Get from any good orug store a half ounce package Murax compound, half ounce fluid extract Buchu and six ounces best gin. Mix these together and take one to two teaspoonfuls of the mixture after each meal and at bed time.

The function of the kidneys is to separate and filter poisonous waste matter and uric acid from the blood. If they become weak or inactive, these impurities are not thrown off as they should be, and consequently cause serious trouble. The above formula puts the kidneys in proper condition to do their work properly.—Adv.