

3367 BILLS FILED FOR CONSIDERATION IN THE FIRST HALF OF CALIFORNIA'S BIFURCATED LEGISLATURE ENDS. RECESS 33 DAYS.

MEASURES NOW STUDIED

Initial Chapter in Political Innovation Sees 1000 More Laws Proposed Than in 1911 Assembly.

Sweeping Reform Attempted.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—The initial chapter of California's new governmental experiment, the bifurcated session of the Legislature, closed with the adjournment of the solemn Pueblo at the prescribed constitutional recess.

So far, the most striking result of this political innovation has been the introduction of a great number of bills, constitutional amendments and resolutions, far in excess of any legislation proposed at any previous session.

In main these bills aim at the centralization of power under the control of the Governor, with sweeping reforms in industrial and administrative enterprises, drastic social and moral measures, and a general clarification of the election laws, especially those relating to the direct primary.

The preliminary session covered 20 calendar days of which the last 20 were devoted to the introduction of proposed measures, numbering 3367 in all, as compared to 2300 introduced during the entire 55 days of the 1911 session.

And as far as the proposal of new legislation is concerned the end is not yet, for when the Legislature reconvenes on March 10 of next month it will be entitled to introduce two more bills provided he can secure the consent of three-fourths of the membership of his house.

People Get Opportunity. The most cogent argument advanced in behalf of the split-session plan was that it would give the people an opportunity to examine the proposed bills during the interim, and to know just what legislation would be introduced. In other words, the legislative game is now to be played with the cards face up, as it were.

Already there has been some criticism of the plan, partly on account of the expense, and partly on account of time apparently lost. But the fact that the new idea holds forth promise of an opportunity for every one to become informed in regard to the various bills is resulting in the main in the holding of judgment in advance on the bills, and in the result a fair trial. There also seems to be a far greater interest in what is going on at the Capitol than ever before, judged by the requests for bills that pour in upon the State Printer and the clerks of the Legislature.

There was no limit at all on the introduction of bills and so it is with nearly 4000 bills in sight and 33 days in the recess, the citizen would try to obtain a general acquaintance with all proposed measures, would have to perform the feat of reading approximately 130 bills a day. Many of the bills are not yet printed, due to the fact that several hundred poured in during the last two days alone.

Many of the bills relate to the same subject, being along similar lines, and differing only where they represent individual views of the authors. Many bills are identical, while others are in skeleton form and will have to be amended during the second part of the session. On these amendments the public will have no opportunity to pass, although the amendments must elapse before they can become law.

Taxation Bill Passes. It remains to be seen whether the bills can be so amended as to defeat the fundamental principle of the splitting of the session, by changing everything in the bill except the appropriation, from a few appropriation acts, the only thing accomplished during the 30 days was the passage of the taxation bill raising the rates of all corporations and taxing for state revenue purposes with the exception of banks and express companies.

No real difficulty was experienced in obtaining the necessary two-thirds vote in either house for the passage of this measure, which was promptly signed by Governor Johnson. The revenue bill is designed to equalize the tax on the one hand with the average rate paid by the locally taxed property-holder. The act will result in the production of \$4,000,000 more revenue for the maintenance of the state government during the next two years.

The anticipated partisan strife did not materialize to any marked extent during the opening session, although the Senate personnel showed 27 Progressives, ten Democrats and three Republicans. The Assembly roster showed 42 Progressives, 25 Democrats, nine Republicans and one Socialist. The lone Socialist is C. W. Kingsley, of Los Angeles.

Three Progressive candidates for State Senator were elected. D. Bohnett, of San Jose; W. A. Sutherland, of Fresno, and H. S. Benedict, of Los Angeles—occupied the limelight for a few days previous to organization, but at the last moment when the Democrats appeared to hold the balance of power if the three-cornered fight became bitter, the Progressives united on C. C. Young, of Berkeley, who was elected easily.

Progressives Are Embarrassed. The upper house produced the keenest bit of politics when Senator J. B. Sanford, Democrat, of Ukiah, introduced a resolution indorsing United States Senator Works for his resolution providing for the six-year Presidential term. As the California Progressives have long since repudiated Senator Works, although they elected him, Sanford's resolution made their position embarrassing.

PROMINENT FIGURES IN CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE NOW IN MID-SESSION ADJOURNMENT.



L.D. Bohnett, (R.) San Jose, Assemblyman. Zee C. Gates, (R.) Los Angeles, Cal., State Senator. W.A. Sutherland, (R.) Fresno, Cal., Assemblyman. A.E. Boynton, (R.) Oroville, Cal., State Senator.



A.B. Carminetti, (D.) Jackson, Cal., State Senator.

hospitals, reform schools, and other state institutions, with the exception of the prisons, and to place the administration of these institutions under a state board of administration. This board would be a complement of the state board of control, whose functions are primarily to supervise financial matters.

The proposed re-organization of the state board of education also has a centralizing feature in that it is proposed to do away with normal school boards and put their administration under the state board of education. It is proposed to have this board consist of three members, one of whom shall attend to text book matters. In this connection, the distribution of free textbooks to the school children of the state was inaugurated by means of emergency appropriations.

The regulation of investment companies with a view to protecting the public is proposed under adaptations of the Kansas blue sky law, placing the supervision of securities in the hands of the Railroad Commission, and requiring an investigation of every proposed investment company.

Laws on Eugenics Proposed. Numerous laws on health, eugenics, marriage and divorce have been introduced. It is proposed to require a health certificate as a prerequisite to marriage, to make provisions in regard to the issuance of licenses so as to prevent divorces, and to raise the appearance of the district attorney in every divorce case.

Among the measures relating to women the proposed mother's pension act and the minimum wage scale for women stand forth as important measures. There is a bill giving a mother equal guardianship over a child, and there are several measures extending the political rights of women such as extending jury privileges to them. The women's clubs and organizations throughout the State are taking a great deal of interest in the bills, and Labor is deeply concerned in many of the bills, which provide for better enforcement of the eight-hour law, preventing the abuse of injunctions, establishing a state employment bureau, changing the election laws to permit workers to vote in other parts of the state when away from home, and extending the women's eight-hour law to include cannery and other classes not covered by the act passed at the last session in spite of so much opposition. The labor programme has been carefully drafted and shows that its authors know just what they want.

"Anti" Bills Are Many. One of the most important bills concerned with court procedure is a proposition to provide a public defender for persons unable to secure competent counsel. There are many "anti" bills, including anti-liquor, anti-cigarette and anti-priestly measures. Senator Cassidy also proposes to establish the whipping-post for wife-beaters. A big fight is on over the fish and game bills. The State Fish and Game Commission favors the prohibition of the sale of ducks, on the ground that the market hunters are making big inroads on the game. On the other hand, many favor cutting down the limit, or prohibiting the killing of the birds altogether. The fish and game bills are legion.

The number of proposed constitutional amendments is no far from 148, making the session phenomenal in this respect. The committees will, of course, study a number of these, while opposition will kill others, but the number remaining to be submitted at the required special election will be quite large. It is also proposed to call a constitutional convention.

1000 MEN WANTED. To sell the Eclair detachable rowboat and canoe motor, they give a speed up to eight miles per hour on a rowboat; are sold on guarantee to give entire satisfaction. Address F. G. Epton, Northwestern agent, Portland, Or.

Stops Tobacco Habit. Elder's Sanitarium, located at 223 Main St., St. Joseph, Mo., has published a book showing the deadly effect of the tobacco habit, and how it can be stopped in three to five days. As they are distributing this book free, anyone wanting a copy should send their name and address at once.

Slaves Gang Sets Price, Says Federal Prosecutor.

BACILLI MAY ENTER COOLERS FOR FREE

Discoverer of Alleged Cure for Tuberculosis Will Bring Live Germs.

FRIEDMANN MAKES INQUIRY

Consul-General Thackara Informs Physician That Customs Classification Does Not Name Microbes as Taxable.

BERLIN, Feb. 8.—(Special.)—What is the duty on live germs? This was the poser asked of Mr. Thackara, American Consul-General, on Thursday by Dr. Friedmann, discoverer of what is declared to be a "cure" for tuberculosis, who was accompanied by Professor Schleich, Dr. Friedmann, who says he will sail for New York not later than February 18, and possibly sooner, seems to fear that the United States will want to collect a heavy duty on his live, non-virulent tuberculous bacilli.

The value of the world's rights of his serum as a remedial agent for tuberculosis, he said, has been placed at several million dollars. The Consul-General Thackara could not find germs, microbes or bacilli in American customs classification, so he assured Dr. Friedmann that the United States would not bar the introduction of the germs.

Dr. Friedmann informed Mr. Thackara that he was going to New York on the invitation of several American physicians. He has apparently not accepted the offer of Mr. Finley, of New York, of \$100,000 if he would cure 95 out of 100 patients. While he is away Professor Schleich will take charge of Dr. Friedmann's American patients who are now here.

Dr. Hans Karfunkel, who until a few weeks ago was associated with Dr. Friedmann, has announced himself as a rival of Friedmann's. Dr. Karfunkel is using the bacilli culture of Dr. Pleurkowski, who was formerly Dr. Friedmann's bacteriologist. This culture also is now in the hands of United States Marine Hospital service at Washington.

HOUSE RULES TO FIT CITY

Woman Member of Council to Apply Good Housekeeping.

MEDFORD, Or., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—Proud of its record as the first town in Oregon to choose a woman for Recorder, the citizens of Talent are now passing a bill providing for a City Council to take the place of Jack Robinson, Councilman, retired.

Mrs. Minnie Vogell is the new member of the Council and she says she will enter into her work with enthusiasm and endeavor to conduct the affairs of the city like a good housekeeper. "It seems to me," said Mrs. Vogell today, "that the ordinary rules of good housekeeping are good rules for municipal administration. Keep things neat and clean, economize, try to make the members of the home happy and let the children get to bed early and have plenty to eat and to do. The fact that the other members of the Council are men doesn't bother me in the least. They are all good friends of mine and I am sure we will work together in harmony for the betterment of the community."

CARNIVAL ANNUAL EVENT

Provision Made for Established Institution at Chehalis.

WOMEN RAID GARDENS

Supragists Uproot Costly Plants at Night.

BURNS NOW IN DARKNESS

Electric Light Plant Shut Down Because of Disagreement.

MRS. PATTERSON IS DEAD

Prominent Social Leader of The Dalles Dies From Paralysis.

NATIVE SON OF '54 DIES

Brownsville, Or., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—W. O. Sperry, an Oregon pioneer, and eldest son of the late Rev. C. C. Sperry, one of the pioneer ministers of the state, died at home here February 4. He was born December 23, 1854, and was a resident of Brownsville nearly all his life. In 1879 he was married to Annie Waldron, of Oregon City, who survives. His trade was that of bridge carpenter. Three sisters are living: Mrs. N. N. Warren, of Portland; Mrs. W. F. Egan, of Salem; Mrs. E. A. Hale, of Brownsville.

CARD OF THANKS.

The undersigned wish to express to their friends and neighbors their appreciation for the many acts of kindness to us and to our dear wife and mother during her 17 years of illness, and to us at her death, and especially to thank and commend the members of the Columbia Rebekah Lodge, No. 3, I. O. O. F., for their constant attention and acts of love to their sister member during the last few years.

"MORE MONEY IN 1913"

That's what many have this month resolved to make— And that's what all will make who can take care of a small payment each month on a lot in the NEW

ALTAMEAD The streetcars have just started running into the heart of Altamead! PRICES HAVE NOT AS YET BEEN ADVANCED! Take the Altamead-Mount Taber Car today (over Morrison-St. bridge). Some one always on the grounds to furnish information. Western Oregon Trust Company 272 Stark St. Phones—Main 937, A 2693

QUICK ACTION IS TAKEN BY U. S. TO SAVE 6700 ACRES. Fraudulent Title. United States Attorney McCourt Files Suit Against David Eccles and Others Just in Time. MAIL COUPON TODAY!

JONES FINDS ELK MINE

SENATOR GETS 276 ANIMALS FROM YELLOWSTONE PARK.

Officials of Department of Interior Call Halt on Shipments Into Washington.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 8.—Most anybody nowadays can discover a gold mine, but Senator Jones last year discovered an elk mine up in the Yellowstone Park, and if the Interior Department had not found out how he was depicting the herds when it came to checking up Jones would have had nearly every county in the state stocked with these noble animals.

MORROW PIONEER PASSES Frank M. Gentry Dies of Complication of Diseases.

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