

SENATE IN FAVOR OF ADDITIONAL JUDGE

Bill to Create Department 7 in Multnomah County Passes, 19 to 10.

ACT IS MADE EMERGENCY

Senator Moser Points to Congested Dockets as Showing Need—Mr. Kellaher Would Refer Measure to People.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Although the House is opposed because of a sentiment that the people should be allowed to pass upon the question, Senator Moser's bill containing an emergency clause providing another Circuit Judge for Multnomah County was passed by the Senate today. If it becomes a law the Governor will appoint a new judge, who will preside at the Portland court known as department 7 immediately after the Governor signs the measure.

Senator Moser said that certain members of the judiciary committee, which prepared the bill, thought the county should have two or three additional judges. He declared that Seattle, which is no larger than Portland, had 12 Circuit Judges and that Tacoma, which is much smaller, had as many as Portland on the average. The Multnomah Senator said a judge from an outside district was serving in Portland under a law passed at the 1913 session of the Legislature, and still the dockets were far behind. He asserted that the records show the Multnomah County judges handle as much business, more than two to one, as judges in other districts of the state.

Senator Kellaher said it was especially advantageous to Multnomah County judges to have assignments out in the state when they were candidates for higher offices.

There is no necessity for an additional judge in Multnomah County, said Mr. Kellaher. "The taxpayers are overtaxed and we should stop some places."

Senator Dimick opposed the bill on the ground that there was no need for the emergency clause being attached to it. He did not think the bill would be referred to the people if passed, he said, but thought they should have a chance to vote upon something that would increase taxes.

Senator Moser declared that all bills creating judgeships had contained emergency clauses and that another judge in Multnomah County was sorely needed. The poor litigants needed quick action, and because of the congested conditions of the dockets in Multnomah County they often had to wait a long time.

Barrett, Bingham, Bishop, Burdick, Butler, Cusick, Day, Garland, Hawley, Hills, Kiddle, Laine, McBrine, Merks, Perkins, Vinton, Von der Hellen, Wood and Thompson.

Senators voting against the bill were: Clarke, Dimick, Farrell, Kellaher, La Follette, Ragsdale, I. S. Smith, J. C. Smith, Stewart and Strayer.

Senator Langruth was absent.

HOUSE READY FOR FINALE

Few More Than 100 Bills Now Left for Last Week.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—When the House adjourned at 5:30 o'clock tonight until 10:30 o'clock Monday morning it had only a few more than 100 bills on its calendar, undisturbed by the Senate bills. It made a big cleaning today, passing 35 bills, defeating a few others and withdrawing some. The House now is in good condition for the final week's grind.

The following bills were defeated: H. B. 112, by Olson—To require employers to pay wages of employees who are on strike or whom they discharge besides the usual pay employees working on contract.

H. B. 485, by Barrett—To provide for the removal of bridges, roads and highways to abolish road supervisors.

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H. B. 395, by Horne—Providing for registration of motor vehicles.

H. B. 96, by Allen—To require insurance rating bureau to give their rates to others upon application and for same purpose.

H. B. 350, by Lewis—To require accurate listing of property for assessment purposes.

LANE THANKS MISS TOWNE

Secretary of Interior Grateful for Crater Lake Measure.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Miss Towne today received a letter from Secretary Franklin K. Lane, of the Federal Department of the Interior, thanking her for her efforts in obtaining the passage of the bill ceding police jurisdiction over Crater Lake National Park to the United States Government.

Secretary Lane says he has been informed that Miss Towne was largely responsible for the measure, which was much desired by the Federal authorities, inasmuch as the Government had title to the park property but no authority to enforce the law there. The bill has been signed by the Governor and now is a law, as it carried an emergency clause.

CHEAPER VOTING PLANNED

House Bill Passed Drops One of Three Election Judges.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—A substantial saving in the expenses of state and local elections will be possible through the operation of Representative E. S. Denny's bill which the House passed this afternoon. It provides for only two election judges instead of three, as under the present law.

Another of Representative Child's bills passed by the House will require the County Clerk to furnish to every election precinct a typewritten copy of the registered voters in that precinct. The customary pollbook will be eliminated and a lot of labor by the officials and some expense will be saved, say advocates of the measure.

SPEAKER AND MEMBER CLASH

Mr. Lewis, of St. Johns, Answers Back Over Fish Act.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Speaker Selling and Representative Lewis, of St. Johns, engaged in a little controversy at this afternoon's session that served to en-

liven the otherwise dull proceedings somewhat. The Senate bill providing new fishing regulations on the Columbia River in accordance with the recent conference of Oregon and Washington Legislatures came over and upon motion of Representative Handley the rules were suspended and the measure was placed on third reading, so that it could be disposed of and sent to Olympia for ratification. Mr. Lewis protested against this procedure, saying he had not had time to study the bill, and served notice that he would vote "No."

"If you haven't sufficient confidence in the report of the committee consisting of seven members of this House and seven members of the Senate, together with a like number from the State of Washington, you have a perfect right to vote against the bill," said the Speaker.

"It isn't a question of confidence," answered the St. Johns man. "I think we are going too fast here. According to the Speaker's ideas we might as well vote 'Yes' on every bill that is introduced by the House."

On every bill that came up during the rest of the afternoon Lewis explained that he did so because he had confidence in the committee.

NORMAL FUND IS VOTED

SENATE PASSES \$50,000 ITEM FOR MONMOUTH SCHOOL.

Money is for Construction of New Building for Training Work. Hawley Champion of Item.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—By a vote of 21 to 8 the Senate today voted an appropriation of \$50,000 for erecting a building for a normal school in the Oregon State Normal School in Monmouth. It was the opinion of the larger number of Senators that inasmuch as the state had only one normal school it should be liberally supported.

Senator Hawley, author of the bill, said the state was not supporting its normal school as it should. The public school of Monmouth was now used as a training school, he said, and the facilities were not adequate. The Senator pointed out that California, Washington and other states had provided more liberally than Oregon for their normal schools, and that this state should not be behind.

Senator La Follette said the state could not afford to make the appropriation at this time. When the continuing appropriation of one-twenty-fifth of a mill was provided for the school, he declared, it was the understanding improvements were to be made from state funds. He charged Senator Hawley, as a member of the ways and means committee, of aiding in cutting down other appropriations, but was fighting for the one for his own district.

"Any money spent for the betterment of the schools is economy," said Senator Butler. "This is a bill for the improvement and the bill should be passed."

"I think this bill should be passed without one dissenting vote," said Senator Clarke.

Senator Kellaher said the bill should be referred to the people, because a promise had been made when the millage tax was allowed that improvements should be made from that.

Senator Smith, representing Coos and Curry counties, said it was just as essential for a teacher who had accumulated evidence in Oklahoma tending to a theory of foul play. Mr. White died suddenly, and because of the evidence of foul play on the part of the poison theory was resorted to. On an order of Judge Anderson the body was exhumed by coroner West and Dr. Paterson.

The viscera was sent to Portland for examination.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—A four-pig team, specially designed wagon and driven at the San Francisco fair, will advertise Cottonwood, Idaho, a dairy and creamery corporation from freezing out the small co-operative concerns of the farmers west through the House this afternoon with a whoop and a hurrah.

The bill was introduced by Representative Hunt, of Clatskanie County. It requires creamery companies and others, who purchase dairy products from farmers, to file a schedule of their rates with the state authority.

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AUTO AFFIDAVITS DOWNS

Written Statement Suffices Under Act Passed by House.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Automobile owners no longer will be made to make affidavits of the ownership and description of their machines when they send their annual license remittance money to the Secretary of State if a bill passed by the House this afternoon becomes a law. It is Representative Sam Brown's bill and has the endorsement of many automobile owners.

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UNOFFICIAL C. ON \$5,500,000 SO FAR

House Sanctions Expenditure of \$1,388,416 and Senate Allows \$98,000.

ALL BILLS NOT YET FILED

Joint Ways and Means Committee Cuts \$1,500,000 From Appropriations Asked—Approved Funds Are Listed.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Appropriations totaling \$5,500,000 for a number of bills which have been introduced, have been approved by the joint ways and means committee of the Legislature. From appropriations asked the committee has cut about \$1,500,000, and other appropriations dependent upon pending legislation are to be considered.

The appropriations for all bills introduced and recommended by the joint ways and means committee total about \$5,500,000. Measures appropriating \$1,388,416 have been passed by the House and bills appropriating \$98,000 have been passed by the Senate.

Table listing various appropriations and their amounts, including Oregon State Hospital, Eastern Oregon Hospital, State Penitentiary, etc.

FOUL PLAY CLOUD LIFTED

Analysis on Exhumed Body of James White Shows No Poison.

BAKER, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Suggestion that James K. White, pioneer rancher of Upper Burnt River, had met his death by poison at Muskogee, Okla., was dispelled by a report that Dr. Carl G. Patterson from Dr. Otto Binswanger, of Portland, to the effect that a chemical analysis of the viscera of the man, whose body was exhumed early in January, had revealed no traces of poison.

The body was exhumed at the instance of Thomas J. White, brother of James K. White, who had accumulated evidence in Oklahoma tending to a theory of foul play. Mr. White died suddenly, and because of the evidence of foul play on the part of the poison theory was resorted to. On an order of Judge Anderson the body was exhumed by coroner West and Dr. Paterson.

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WALKIUM PIONEER PASSES.

GRAY'S RIVER, Wash., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Alex. Durrah, pioneer resident of Walkiakum County, died on February 10 and was buried at his home at Eden yesterday. He was 82 years old and had lived in the county since 1847 and came to Walkiakum County in 1874. He is survived by his widow and two children, Elmer of Eden, Wash., and Hazel Ingalls of Knappton, Wash.

NEW ZEALAND FEELS FILLED.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Deaths transferring two parcels of land in the Stiles addition to this city executed in New Zealand, have been placed on file in the County Auditor's office. The consideration was \$4000 and a shilling revenue stamp of the Province of New Zealand was attached to the instruments, which were executed in June, 1914.

ALL CHOIRS IN CHORUS.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—The Hood River Chorus, composed of 85 members from all local churches, are preparing for a concert to be given here on the evening of Washington's birthday, when they will sing patriotic songs. The chorus was organized by Rev. S. A. Denny, pastor of the Riverside Congregational Church.

Closing-Out Sale advertisement for J.G. Mack & Co. featuring various furniture items like beds, dressers, and tables with prices and descriptions.

Equal Pay Provided advertisement for women teachers, mentioning an act signed for women teachers to get men's wages.

Miss Towne Backs Bill advertisement for a bill regarding visiting schoolmasters and their pay.

Extraordinary Sale of Lipman, Wolfe & Co.'s Fine Book Stock advertisement, listing various books and prices.

New Fiction at Half advertisement for new books by popular authors at a 50% discount.

Baker Merchants Coming advertisement for a delegation to attend the state convention.

Gill's advertisement for library editions of standard authors like Dickens, Thackeray, etc.

A Bankrupt Sale of Stock of Drugs and Fixtures advertisement for Montgomery Pharmacy.