

### SESSION HALF DONE, WORK ONLY STARTED

#### Washington Lawmakers Still Have Much to Do.

#### 320 MEASURES PRESENTED

#### Only 19 to Date Passed by Both Houses of Legislature and Seven Signed by Governor.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Measured in days the work of the 17th session of the Washington legislature is more than half finished. In the light of work and results the major portion of the lawmakers' task is yet ahead of them.

When the legislature adjourned Friday, the 32d day of the 60-day session, a total of 320 bills had been introduced in the two houses. Of these 123 originated in the senate and 197 in the house.

Of the more than 200 measures that have made their appearance, only 19 have passed both houses and but seven have been signed by the governor. Six other measures passed by both houses have been transmitted to the governor and are on his desk awaiting executive action.

Five of the seven bills signed by the governor are appropriation measures, another provides for making the motor vehicle license year correspond with the calendar year and the other bill signed is the much-discussed civil administrative code, enactment of which will be the outstanding feature of the session.

#### Millions Go Into Roads.

The appropriation measures signed include senate bills 1 and 2, appropriating \$11,000 for legislative expenses and \$15,000 for printing; an emergency appropriation of \$15,000 for the public service commission; a permanent highway fund appropriation of \$1,000,000 for payments on contracts for highway construction now under way and for new contracts; and appropriations of \$250,000 from the public highway fund and \$11,200 from the motor vehicle fund for state road construction.

Of the measures that have passed both houses and are yet to be acted upon by the governor are emergency appropriations of approximately \$1,250,000 to cover deficiencies in state departmental and institutional appropriations; an emergency appropriation of \$20,000 for the agricultural department and a like amount for the fisheries department; and an appropriation of \$400,000 from the motor vehicle fund to meet highway contract payments when no other money is available for such purpose.

Both houses have passed the bill by Senator Westfall of Spokane providing for the establishment of county law libraries in counties of more than 25,000 population. Measures adopting Pierce's code as the official compilation of Washington statutes and requiring the clerk of the supreme court to furnish free one copy of the court's decision to the attorney for such litigant interested in the case, also have passed both houses.

#### Bill Pooling is Attacked.

Representative Menon's bill which creates a criminal district of the route traveled by any train or public conveyance or water traversed by boat and confers jurisdiction on any county through which they may pass, has received favorable action in both houses.

It will be a felony to suppress or eliminate bids on public work if the measure passed by both houses is signed by the governor. The bill is directed at the practice said to exist among certain contractors of the city and dividing profits on contracts for public work. The Bassett bill making it unlawful for assessors to extend the tax levy of any taxing district in excess of the levy limit prescribed by law also has passed both the senate and house. Another measure passed by both houses requires that payments of money appropriated by the legislature shall be made before the expiration of the calendar month after the ensuing biennium.

It is noted that the majority of the bills thus far passed have been emergency and deficiency appropriation measures. It is stated that the deficiency appropriations asked at this session have been greater than at any other session of the legislature.

### ANTI-ALIEN BILL FOUGHT

#### CHAMBER ASKS LEGISLATURE NOT TO ACT ON ISSUE.

#### Negotiations With Japan Would Be Hampered by State Interference, Says Communication.

A decided stand against interference by the state in the matter of Japanese relations has been taken by the Portland Chamber of Commerce, through its board of directors, which has asked the Oregon legislature not to pass any anti-Japanese bills. P. Hetherington, acting general manager of the chamber, yesterday conveyed the organization's sentiments in a letter addressed to every member of the house and senate.

The attitude of the board of directors of the chamber on the subject, formally expressed, is as follows:

The board of directors of the Portland Chamber of Commerce is strongly opposed to the passage of any state anti-Japanese legislation because it

believes that the passage of such legislation will only embarrass and retard the present negotiations which are being carried on between the United States and Japan, which negotiations are for the purpose of deciding the various questions covered in this proposed legislation. The board is of the opinion that the question is a national one.

Certain people supporting this anti-Japanese legislation talk of patriotism and Americanism. Mr. Hetherington says, forgetting apparently the true definition of such words. Any man worthy of the name of American should be one who can, at least, keep his contracts. We have a contract in the form of a treaty with Japan at the present time. Such legislation as is proposed would amount to a breaking of this contract. Is this Americanism?

The only direct and honorable method through which we may proceed to have our relations with the Japanese corrected, is by further negotiations between the national governments of both countries with a view to changing the now existing treaty.

### BOYHOOD DAYS RECALLED

#### CAPTAIN BARCLAY ENJOYS VISIT TO OREGON CITY.

#### Master of Transport Lisicum Brings With Him Valuable Collection of Island Relics.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Captain W. Charles Barclay, one of the best known sea captains, and son of Oregon pioneers, the late



Captain W. Charles Barclay.

Dr. and Mrs. Forbes Barclay Pratt, who recently arrived in Oregon City to visit his sisters, Mrs. W. E. Pratt and Miss Katie Barclay and the former's family, is thoroughly enjoying his visit in the old town, where he spent his boyhood days.

Captain Barclay brought with him a valuable collection of curios from the Philippine Islands and a room in old homes of the Barclay family in this city has been set aside for its display.

This collection, which has been artistically arranged, has been viewed by many friends of the captain. A portion of the room is entirely devoted to musical instruments of the natives, while another portion has been set aside for reptiles, baskets, hand-made carved brassware, various weapons of war and chairs made from fiber.

Noticeable in the collection are a cobra, 14 feet long, one of the most venomous reptiles in the Philippine Islands; and a python 15 feet in length, which was killed by Captain Barclay. There are also a number of lizards, among these an iguana. The set includes a kangaroo rat, similar to the kangaroo, from which it derives its name; a spider crab, flying foxes, porcupine fish, horns from the wild goats of the Himalay mountains, horns from a carabao that measure six feet from tip to tip, fruit of four feet from tip to tip, turtle whose shell is more than three feet across, various species of fish hand-somely mounted, and many brass trays of unusual size and beauty.

The collection of war weapons includes many that were used in big battles. Among the battles in which they figured were Camp Vickers, 1901, with Captain Pershing in command; Bayan Cotta-Lanao, 1901, General Baldwin in command; Taraka Valley, 1902, Captain Pershing in command; Taraka Valley, 1903, General Wood in command; Lake Butig Lanao, 1902, Captain Pershing, commander; Bud Daho, 1906, General Wood, commander; Patian Island, Sula Icho, 1909, when Jariki, a renegade, was killed; Bagak, 1912, General Pershing, commander; Sulpas Cotta Jolo, 1912, Captain McNalley, commander; Sulpas Cotta Jolo, 1913, Captain Parrott, commander; Johandah Cotta Hol, 1913, Captain King, commander; Mount Telpas, 1913, Major Shaw, commander; Tin Can Camp, 1914, Tin Can Camp, 1916.

In this collection of war weapons there are 18 swords, a beheading ax, this being the last official beheading ax of the last Sultan of Cottabato Valley; and also a gun with a history, which is 300 years old.

A sacred drum at one time owned by the high priest of Mindao is among the instruments in the collection.

Captain Barclay has sailed the seas for the past 47 years. He has been master of the United States transport Lisicum for ten years in the inter-island service. For 20 years he has been in the transport service on various vessels.

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entertain themselves with a program of footracing, bathing girls' contests and other features on the beach.

#### Burglars Get \$130.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Burglars last night entered a pool hall on Main street between Fourth and Fifth streets and stole \$130 which the proprietor had concealed in a sack behind the counter. The same men, it is believed, later sawed their way into the H. E. Cross store by cutting a hole in the door and unfastening it. Nothing was taken from the store.

#### J. S. Gay Appointed Captain.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—James S. Gay Jr., organizer of bat-

tery A, has been appointed captain in the field artillery, according to announcement made today by George A. White, adjutant-general. William H. Ellenburg has been named captain of infantry and commander of the new machine gun company organized recently at Corvallis; Raymond G. Larson, first lieutenant, and Early A. Hutchins, second lieutenant, both of Corvallis.

#### River Rise Expected to Stop.

The Willamette river at Portland is expected by Edward L. Wells, district forecaster, to reach a stage of 12.5 feet by this morning, and then to start falling slowly without going near the flood stage of 15 feet. The river has been rising steadily for several days under the influence of the warm rain that has been melting the snow in the mountains.




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