

CORPORATIONS DO TWO HOUSE BILLS MONEY FOR STATE INSTITUTIONS LEGISLATOR NOT A GOVERNOR SHOWS VERY WELL OUR DIVISION CATSPAW BIG STICK

Senate Kills Fellow-Servant Bill and One for Safety on Transit Lines.

EIGHT HOURS TOO LITTLE IN STATE INSTITUTIONS

Bill to Protect Employees Assailed by Corporate Interests - Streetcar Bill Apparently Would Have Died of Parental Neglect, Alone.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Feb. 6.—Corporations were well treated by the senate yesterday afternoon, two bills placing restrictions on them having been killed.

Senator Coahove's bill extending the fellow-servant law was defeated through an unfavorable report of the committee on industries, though the senator made a stand on the floor of the senate for his measure. The bill provided that an employer should be liable to an employee for injuries sustained through the negligence of a fellow-employee in another department. The bill was lost on an aye and nay vote, 21 to 6. The bill aroused violent protest from employers all over the state.

Anybody Can Run Cars.

Senator Bailey's bill restricting street car companies in the employment of inexperienced men was also killed by the senate. The bill provided that no person should be employed as motorman or conductor of a street car who had not served seven days on cars under the personal direction of a competent instructor. Senator Bailey was not in the senate chamber when the bill was indefinitely postponed, and no fight was made to keep it alive.

No Eight-Hour Law for State.

The bill prescribing eight hours as a day's work for state employees was indefinitely postponed unanimously. The committee on industries in its unfavorable report stated that to pass it would materially increase the cost of maintaining the various state institutions. The second section of the bill making it unlawful for any firm or corporation to require or permit any man to work more than eight hours in manufacturing material for state contracts was declared to be unconstitutional by the judiciary committee.

IN LABOR'S INTEREST

Bailey Bill Curtails Convicts' Competing Output.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Feb. 6.—A blow for the labor unions in their opposition to convict labor was struck by Senator Bailey yesterday afternoon when he introduced a bill providing that none of the convicts at the penitentiary should be bled to any person to manufacture boots, shoes, overalls, shirts, or any kind of clothing. The convicts are prohibited from manufacturing any kind of clothing for sale, or for any purpose other than supplying the employees and inmates of the various state institutions. An emergency clause is added to the bill, which states that there is a demand that convicts shall not compete with free labor and that the public peace and safety demand the cessation of strife along these lines.

DESERT LAND BILL

It Provides for Carey Act Reclamation on Idaho Plan.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—The senate committee on public lands has decided to report favorably the desert land law proposed by Senator Smith of Umatilla county. This bill governs the reclamation by irrigation of desert lands granted the state by the government under the Carey act. It is modeled after the Idaho law, under which millions have been invested in irrigation projects.

Present conditions make it impossible for the respective counties to assess the reclaimed lands for taxes, as the settlers have no deeds and the companies claim that he ditches belong to the state. Neither are the irrigation companies required to give bonds for the completion of their contracts, nor to warrant and defend the rights they sell in case of adverse claim. These defects are corrected in the Smith bill. The Smith bill provides for a new desert land board, consisting of the governor, secretary of state, state treasurer, attorney-general and state engineer.



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One Means Union-La Grande Fight, Proposing Laws County.

JEFFERSON COUNTY OUT OF NORTHERN CROOK

Dechutes County Also Creation Desired by Some, Who Would Further Diminish Crook County—Plenty of Fight Against Measures.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—Two more county division bills have made their appearance in the house. One of them renews the old fight between Union and La Grande by asking for the creation of Lewis county. It calls for the separation of the northeastern portion of Union county, with Union as the county seat.

The second bill provides for the creation of Jefferson county out of the northern portion of Crook county, with Madras the county seat. Dechutes county, with Bend as the county seat, is also seeking creation, which leaves Crook county with not more than the corporation of Prineville to sustain it. Big anti-division delegations are on the road to Salem to defeat the measures.

STATE WAGON ROAD

Council of Columbia County Asks for Fifty Thousand.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—The construction of a state wagon road through Columbia county, beginning at Scappoose and ending at Westport, is asked by a bill introduced in the house by Representative McConnell, and carrying an appropriation of \$50,000. The bill provides that the road shall run through the county and shall pass through the towns of Warren, Houlton, Deer Island, Gobie, Rainier, Clatskanie and Marshfield, with a branch passing through the Nehalem valley. It is provided that the road, when constructed, shall be maintained by Columbia county.

COUNTY OFFICERS

Governor Signs Bills Increasing Salaries or Creating Offices.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—The governor has signed 27 bills, becoming laws through the governor's signature, being the first batch of bills to be signed during the present session. The first is a bill by Stein of Umatilla, providing for an increase of \$200 for the county school superintendent of Umatilla county. The second is by Vawter, Kubli and Perkins and creates the office of recorder of Jackson county. The third is by Barlow of Washington, which increases the salary of the county judge of Washington county.

near. Irrigation companies are required to make deposits of 50 cents per acre before contracts are let to them, as a guarantee of good faith.

It is provided that after 10 years from the date of the contract the control of the canal is to pass to the settlers, while the company retains an interest in proportion to the amount of rights remaining unsold. When all the rights are sold the title passes absolutely to the settlers.

Under the present law a settler can hold his land indefinitely without applying for a deed, and thus escape being taxed on his holding. The new law makes a provision that limits exemption to five years.

FOR SAFE BLOWERS

Haines Bill Makes It Interesting for Nitroglycerine Artists.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—Burglary by explosives is the name of a new crime that will be added to the Oregon criminal code if the bill introduced in the senate yesterday afternoon by Senator Haines becomes a law. The penalties provided for the commission of this crime are heavy, the smallest punishment being 20 years, and the heaviest 40 years, in the penitentiary. The crime of burglary by explosives is defined as the entry of any building at night with intent to commit a crime, and the use or attempted use of nitroglycerine, dynamite, gunpowder or any high explosive.

VETOED BILLS' STATUS

If Negatived After Adjournment, Take Place Next Session.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—Bills of this session that are vetoed after the legislature adjourns will take their regular course in the legislature of 1909. A resolution providing that no bills should be sent to the governor during the last six days of the session having been rejected by the senate. The committee reported unfavorably on the resolution. The senate's resolution would have the effect of keeping the lawmakers here for six days merely to see whether the governor vetoed any bills, and that as far as making laws was concerned the legislature had just as well adjourn if the resolution were adopted.

SENATE PAGES SUFFER

State Gives Them Paper and Envelopes But No Stamps.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—The senate pages are the latest sufferers from the economic straits that has swept over the present legislature. The boys want 200 2-cent stamps each, and can find no means of getting them from the state. They have endeavored to persuade a number of senators to introduce a resolution authorizing the secretary of state to give them the stamps, but the senators all say they are too busy. Each of the boys has letter paper and envelopes with his name on them, provided by the state printer, and they want the stamps, but have almost despaired of getting them.

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General Improvement and Betterment Bill Reported From Ways and Means.

ALMOST HUNDRED AND SIXTY-TWO THOUSAND

Of Which Insane Asylum Gets Hundred and Thirty-Six Thousand Five Hundred—Separate Bill Introduced to Provide for Interest.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—The ways and means committee of the house reported the general betterment and improvement appropriation bill for the state institutions yesterday. It carries a total appropriation of \$181,750. A separate bill carrying appropriations amounting to \$20,000 was also introduced to cover the interest accruing on state warrants caused by the submission of the appropriation bills to the referendum after the last legislature.

One item is for interest on outstanding warrants amounting to \$421,000 running until June 30 last and the other is for interest on \$15,000. The first sum amounts to \$19,500 and the second to \$500.

The consideration of the normal school and other educational institution appropriations was taken up by the committee at a meeting last night.

The items of the appropriation bill reported yesterday are as follows: Penitentiary—Betterments and improvements, \$8,000; library, \$1,000. Asylum—New wing, \$50,000; new lands, \$10,000; general betterments and increased equipment, covering cottages, farm, physician's cottages, general expenses, \$36,500. Reform school—Betterments, equipments and repairs, \$5,000. State school—Betterments and equipment, \$2,500. Blind school—Betterments, etc., and addition, \$5,250.

ORPHANS AND THE ERRING

Special Appropriations for Two Classes of Unfortunates.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—The indigent orphans and wayward girls of the state are taken care of by the ways and means committee by the introduction of a special appropriation bill carrying \$12,000 for the former and \$14,000 for the latter. Both of the bills are regular appropriations, the first providing that each institution in the state that cares for orphans coming under the jurisdiction of the bill shall receive \$50 a month for the care of each orphan, provided it does not receive other assistance from the state or the total amount does not exceed \$5,000. The measure is a statute enacted in 1901, but owing to a clerical error was introduced at this time to remedy the defect.

The second measure provides for an appropriation of \$14,000, allowing institutions caring for wayward girls between the ages of 12 and 18 years \$24 per capita.

SALARY INCREASE

Bill to Benefit Morrow-Umatilla District Attorney.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—Representative Barrett of Umatilla county has introduced a bill which provides for an increase of salary of the district attorney of Morrow and Umatilla counties. The new amount asked is \$2,000, an increase of \$400. The bill also asks that the district attorney be given the power to appoint two deputy attorneys, one in Morrow county and one in Umatilla county, at a salary of \$900 each.

OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS

City Officers Empowered to Chase Offenders Till Caught.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—Representative Moore of Baker has introduced a bill which authorizes any city peace officer to make arrests in any part of the county in which his city is located. The purpose of the bill is to further the ends of justice by allowing a city officer to pursue an offender against the ordinances of the city outside the corporate limits of the municipality.

CORRECTS TITLE DEFECTS

Provision for Curing Flaws Due to Land Frauds.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—Representative Freeman has introduced a bill providing that all persons who have secured certificates for state lands based upon fraudulent or forged applications may recover title by complying with the law and proving that they were ignorant of the fraudulent nature of the applications when they made purchase.

ARE YOU A MEMBER?

If You Are Not, and Wear Lodge Badge, Jail's in Sight.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Feb. 6.—No one can wear a lodge pin or insignia unless he belongs in the order so designated without being in violation of law, according to a bill by Coffey of Multnomah passed by the house. The bill makes it a misdemeanor for any person not entitled by membership to wear the sign of any order, and provides a penalty.

BIRDS ON WOMEN'S HATS

Mr. Perkins Enacts to Regulate Feminine Ornamentation.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Feb. 6.—Representative Perkins of Jackson county does not like to see the mounted carcasses of birds on hats of women, and has introduced a bill making it a misdemeanor for any person to have in possession the body of any bird not a game bird. Crows, magpies, jays, owls and hawks are not included in the list of protected birds. The bill has been introduced in the interest of the Audubon society.

BURBANK TRUST FUND

House Passes Bill to Validate and Make Effective.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—The house has

Freeman Refuses to Be Used by Oregonian in What is Called Spitework Legislation.

DECLINES TO INTRODUCE TWO FRANCHISE BILLS

Measures Aimed at Corporation in Portland Are Said to Show Bad Faith on the Part of Men Who Drew Them.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—The Oregonian is seeking to have the franchise of the Portland Gas company revoked by the legislature. The paper, through its correspondent, Leslie Scott, is trying out the members of the Multnomah delegation in an effort to find some one who will consent to stand sponsor for two bills relating to franchises which it is the desire of the proprietors of the publication to have introduced.

One of the measures for which Mr. Scott is trying to find a father is specific in its outlines and provides that the franchise of the Portland Gas company be revoked. The other provides that all perpetual franchises in any city in the state having a population of more than 100,000 shall be revoked and nullified. As a secondary feature it is provided that the present owners of the franchises may have first call at renewal for a specified time, provided the bid they submit to the city for the privilege is the highest.

Leslie Scott presented two bills to Frank Freeman of the Multnomah delegation, and asked him to introduce them in the house, but Freeman declined to be used for any special or private interest legislation. While willing to offer a measure under certain conditions, however, the members acceded to the governor's request, and the attorney-general is drawing a new bill to incorporate the increase in the penitentiary salaries and on other points.

FOR SEATTLE'S FAIR

Henry Reed Asks for Big Appropriation From Oregon.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Feb. 6.—Henry E. Reed is here working in the interest of the Alaska-Yukon fair. He wants the legislature to appropriate \$150,000, payable in 1907, in installments, the first \$50,000 in 1907, to be used for the collection of the state exhibit; the second, of \$50,000, to be paid May 1, 1908, and to be used for the construction of the Oregon building; the third, another \$50,000, to be paid January 1, 1909, for maintenance and administration expenses.

SAN FRANCISCANS IN BIG SNOW BLOCKADE

(Journal Special Service.)
Chicago, Feb. 6.—The snow so delayed the train bearing Mayor Schmitt and members of San Francisco school board to Washington that, although they were due here this morning, they will not arrive until tonight.

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WATER CODE AMENDMENTS SEEM TO PLEASE

Objectionable Features Eliminated, and Friends of Law Believe It Will Pass.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 6.—Having listened for several days to the objections against their proposed water code, the committee of the house of the state engineer is given, thus meeting the objection that the will of the state engineer is absolute. An appeal operates as a suspension of the engineer's rules until the appeal is finally determined.

Suits by the state for the determination of every water right in Oregon, which were provided for in the original draft of the bill, are eliminated by an amendment, which provides that the attorney-general shall intervene on behalf of the state only when a suit to adjudicate any water rights shall have been brought, and he believes that the public interest demands such intervention. This feature of the bill was one to which all universal objection has been raised, and the committee believes that all objections will be overcome by the amendment.

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Display of Weapon Results in Putting Oregon Institutions on Proper Basis.

INCREASE OF SALARIES FOR STATE EMPLOYEES

Officials of Penitentiary and Asylum for Insane Will Get Raise, and Superintendent's Right to Live at State Prison Recognized.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)
Salem, Feb. 6.—Governor Chamberlain has used the shadow of the big stick for the first time at the present session, and favorably, in forcing the legislature to raise the salary of the superintendent of the penitentiary from \$1,500 to \$2,000, and the warden from \$1,200 to \$1,600, by incorporating a provision in the Reynolds bill providing for an increase in the salaries of the asylum superintendent and four assistants.

The committee on salaries of state and county officers, Representative Knowles chairman, favors the Reynolds bill, and intends to report it favorably. The governor insisted that now is the time to put the penitentiary officers on a statutory basis, so far as an increase in the salaries and the legal right to live at the institution are concerned. The sponsors of the Reynolds bill demurred, as they feared the incorporation of democratic patronage in the asylum bill would cause its defeat by rabid partisans in the house. The governor insisted on his request, and the asylum bill's friends found themselves between a possible veto or an unfavorable vote in the house. At a conference, however, the members acceded to the governor's request, and the attorney-general is drawing a new bill to incorporate the increase in the penitentiary salaries and on other points.

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WORLD NOT TO HELP PRIVATE SPITE

It took the position that if the Oregonians were sincere in wishing to remedy franchise abuses of a specified time, it was directed towards one particular corporation or a few companies in Portland.

Mr. Freeman raised the further objection that the amendment to section two of article 22 of the constitution left the legislature no power to revoke franchises of corporations. In the absence of an opinion on this question by the attorney general, which it has not been possible to secure so far, Freeman did not wish to be plunged into such a fight as would charge on him, provided it does not receive other assistance from the state or the total amount does not exceed \$5,000. The measure is a statute enacted in 1901, but owing to a clerical error was introduced at this time to remedy the defect.

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