

FEW MINOR BILLS PASSED; OLYMPIA REMAINS QUIET

House Extremely Cautious—Reform School in Limelight; Legislature Liberal With Pensions.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Olympia, Wash., Jan. 28.—The third week of the legislature closes with these bills actually sent to the governor for signature, although there are scores of measures on their way between the two houses and will be passed up to the governor before another week end vacation is taken:

H. B. 27—Appropriating \$10,000 for emergency printing. E. B. 1—Appropriating \$75,000 for legislative expenses. S. B. 30—Providing for the recall of officials in cities of the first class. S. B. 44—A public wharf and dock bill. S. B. 20—A deficiency appropriation for extradition of prisoners and for rewards for captures of criminals; appropriates \$25,000.

The senate has introduced 122 bills and the house 196 measures. The members would like to see made into laws.

Before the session of the legislature finishes its labors it is probable that there will be a thorough investigation of the management of several of the institutions under charge of the board of control as well as the proposed investigation of the National Guard, as well as the public lands department. The resolution to sift the charges against the guard has already passed the house, which this winter is proving to be the most conservative and cautious branch of the lawmakers.

And now the state training school at Chehalis is thrown into the limelight by recent charges preferred against C. C. Aspinwall, superintendent, by Roy Langford of Tacoma. His young son was discharged for alleged incompetency. From the position of baker for the institution, and Aspinwall alleges the charges of cruelty and mismanagement are the result of the discharge and a malicious fabrication. Langford's affidavit has been filed with Governor Hoy, and the attorney general has been ordered to accompany the prosecuting attorney of Lewis county to the reform school and thoroughly sift the charges.

It is recited in the affidavit that two boys named Charles Rhodes and another named Brown were committed to the institution with a boy whose name is not given, were brought to the institution together. Brown and the unnamed boy ran away, but Rhodes was sick in bed and knew nothing of the escape. However, it is alleged, the detail officer went into the dormitory where Rhodes was, took him down into the basement and without taking the trouble to question him gave the lad an unmerciful beating, breaking a finger, and using him up so he was hardly able to stand on his feet. In this condition he was sent to the kitchen. The detail officer—William Baker—told Langford it was his practice to "intimidate" a boy and question him afterwards, finding in this way the truth was more easily elicited.

When the Bellingham boys were captured the detail officer—Baker—commenced to beat Brown, and he fought back. He was hit over the head with a paddle and his scalp cut open and one of his ears almost torn off. Langford states that Baker told him he knocked Brown down 20 times with his fists before he "subdued" him. The affidavit states that every boy who runs away receives a beating of from 75 to 100 blows with an oak board about three feet long, half inch thick and three inches wide.

wick and Fullerton from Colfax, Gose from Pomeroy and Rudkin from North Yakima. It is an open secret that Governor Hoy will offer the place to Harold Preston of Seattle and the solid Snohomish bar association; Judge Jesse Rudkin resigns, and this man is the unanimous choice of the eight judges who will remain on the bench but whether Mr. Preston would consider the appointment favorably is problematical. There is neither money nor glory in the job greater than he has at present in his own practice and the appointment could only be for two years or until the next regular election. Ex-Governor Albert E. Mead is spoken of as a possible appointee; Attorney General H. E. Bell has the address of the solid Snohomish bar association; Judge Jesse Neterer of Bellingham has many friends who are urging his name to the governor; O. C. Ellis a prominent Democrat of Tacoma and W. C. Chapman of Seattle are also frequently mentioned as possible successors to Judge Rudkin.

Liberal With Pensions. The present legislature shows a disposition to be generous in the matter of pensioning of public servants who have passed the 60 year age limit. First comes a bill to permit judges who have served 18 consecutive years on the supreme bench and who are over 60 years of age to retire on half pay. This could only apply for many years to Judge Ralph Oregon Dunbar who is in the middle of his fifth year term. As the judge is hale and able to turn off more work than any of the members of the supreme court and as he loves to work, it is not probable that even if the pension is granted it will ever be asked for by Judge Dunbar. The first men of cities of the first class will probably be granted pensions after reaching 45 years and having been in the service of the city for 25 years.

Pensions for Teachers. In talking about the proposed teachers' pensions Mr. Dewey said: "The enactment of such a measure would do more to build up the teaching profession in the state than any one thing. The present itinerary of the teachers is the curse of the profession, some 40 per cent cease teaching within five years in Washington. The law now keep able men and women in the service in the class of teachers who now seek more lucrative fields of labor. The request for the enactment of this measure comes as an earnest and unanimous appeal from teachers throughout the entire state—from the smallest one roomed building to the largest high school or normal school; from a profession that numbers over 7000 and since last November from a profession that numbers over 7000 voters."

The senate has passed and sent to the house a memorial to congress asking for a restriction of immigration from the Mediterranean countries. The memorial recites the fact that for the year ending June 30, 1910, a million aliens came into this country, 600,000 from eastern Europe and western Asia. The arguments on the adoption of the memorial brought out some interesting statements from Senator Arvid Rydstrom, who is a railroad engineer in the Deschutes valley in Oregon working on contracts for the Hill and Harriman road in the past 15 months.

Woman Lobbyist Ejected. A sensation was created in the capital city Friday by the forcible ejection from the floor of the house of Mrs. Mary Turnbull, superintendent of schools of Clallam county. This lady has been twice elected to that office, likes her job and is trying to get the legislature to fix things so she can hold over indefinitely by amending the law that a county officer can serve only two consecutive terms. Mrs. Turnbull was caught red handed lobbying on the floor of the house and the sergeant at arms was instructed to eject her. She was very indignant and has sent post haste for her husband, who she says will "fix" the bad men who were rude to her. Last week Mrs. Mary Arkwright Hutton and other women lobbyists were told to keep out of the legislative chambers between the hours of 9 a. m. and 10 p. m., and as the house has established a rule that no lobbying is to be permitted during these hours it is evident that the rule is for women as well as for men.

Hillman Agents in Contempt. (United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, Jan. 28.—The agents of J. M. J. Webb, accused by District Attorney Elmer E. Todd of tampering with the

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number of new buildings and new ground is being asked for but it seems to be the disposition of the committee to use the pruning shears on this class of demands and spend more on maintenance.

New Hillsboro Hotel Open. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Hillsboro, Or., Jan. 28.—The Hotel Washington was thrown open to guests this week. It is a new three story brick, finely furnished, and is modern throughout. It fills a long felt want and is destined to do a good business. Messrs. Wann & Gifford of Portland have charge of the institution.

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The gardening contest will teach the boys how to grow vegetables and interest them in practical gardening. Many of them will make good profits from their small plots in addition to the opportunity they will have of winning prizes.

Registration will be made to him. The public schools of the city have been invited to form gardening clubs and the school having the club that makes the best showing as a whole in the contest will receive a special award.

SOY BEAN TO SOLVE PROBLEM OF HIGH COST

(United Press Leased Wire.) Paris, Jan. 28.—If Li Yu Lin's soy beans prove to be as nutritious as he claims, he will have done more to reduce the high cost of living than all the tariff experts combined.

So confident is Yin that his discovery will prove a boon to "squeezed" humanity that he has spent \$400,000 in equipping a factory for the production of semi-artificial food.

Here, according to Yin, are the food products to be extracted from the soy bean: Cheese, milk, caffeine, jelly, oil, flour, bread, biscuits, cakes, sauces and a variety of vegetables.

St. Louis, Jan. 28.—"Hobbit pants" so tight that men must take off his shoes before he can peel his trousers are to be the "real thing" this summer, according to leading tailors here.

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