

MARINER ALLEGES FIVE ROADS BILLS CUNNINGLY FIXED

Good Roads Association Goes Further: Suspecting Illegal Changing of Some Clauses, It Suggests Investigation.

That the good roads bills were butchered and mutilated and their provisions deliberately juggled by certain members of the legislature until they were worse than useless, was a bit of information imparted to the Oregon Good Roads association yesterday by Representative W. T. Mariner of Gilliam county.

"Dimick of Clatsop said that no matter what we get through the house, means would be found to nullify the measures in the senate," said Representative Mariner during the special meeting held yesterday at the Commercial club.

The report of the committee appointed to make abstracts of the measures also expressed suspicion that means had been found to change the bills after they were passed, or that they were altered in such a way as to make them seem good, then were hurriedly passed during the last hours. One item of this report reads:

"Upon Thursday morning your committee met and was attended by Mr. Mariner of the special committee of the legislature, under whose supervision the five good roads bills came, and he discussed with us the general nature, effect and purpose of these bills as the same came before that committee and were reported to the legislature and exhibited certain printed copies of the bills in his possession which entirely differ from the copies of the bills referred to your committee."

The copies in the possession of the committee had been copied word for word as filed with the secretary of state, by Walter L. Priest, secretary of the association, and these had afterwards been verified. The suggestion follows:

"That immediate steps be taken to ascertain exactly what bills were passed and the condition in which they were passed."

Calls Legislature a Glass Body.

After reading the report of the committee and after the good roads association had discussed the bills recommending their veto by the governor, W. C. Bristol, chairman of the committee, moved that The Journal be requested to "put before the people the fact that from the legislature will never be obtained legislation for all the people."

The so-called state aid bill is not a valid enactment because it fails to designate the method of payment of the same and the duties to be performed by him are separate and distinct from the supervisory duties of the state highway board, and the doubt naturally arises that this is in contravention of article 4, section 20, of the constitution, inasmuch as more than one subject is embraced in the title of the act. It will be noted that the only duties the state highway board have to perform are to appoint the highway commissioner and then meet once a month to approve their own traveling expenses, and the legal question therefore is presented whether this bill is not strictly a bill to create the office of highway commissioner, and whether incidentally it has created a board to take the appointing power from the governor and give it to the state highway board.

Your attention is called in this connection to section 10 of this bill, which is known as house bill 288. Section 10 provides for joint reports to the governor, and at the same time attention is called to section 12, which gives the commissioner the exclusive right to appoint a clerk for himself.

Can City Prisoners Be Worked? Under the bill, copy of which submitted to us as 'Exhibit D,' hereto attached and known as 'City and County Convict Labor Bill,' county prisoners are to work pursuant to present laws already in force, but the legal question arises whether city prisoners can be so worked within the present conditions of the ordinances of the city of Portland relative to the transmission of these prisoners and the exchange of their jurisdiction from strictly city control to county control without the interposition of the law or the proper sentence of a court to cover, as habeas corpus proceedings would doubtless release the prisoner."

The foregoing statements sum up why the veto of the roads bills was asked by the association. A meeting of the association has been called for next Tuesday evening, when the matter of preparing good roads legislation for action by the people at the next election will be discussed, and a proposal heard for reorganization of the association upon a basis of smaller dues and increased statewide membership.

ART LOVERS OF CITY PROPOSE TO ORGANIZE

Patterning after the Selmagundi club of New York, or the Bohemian club of San Francisco, the artists of Portland, including everybody in the city engaged in any of the arts, are to organize a club and fit up clubrooms. The initial meeting looking to organization will be held tonight in the office of Val De Veroux, in the Couch building. The call for the meeting has been signed by between 20 and 40 persons, including architects, commercial artists, professional painters, newspaper artists, illustrators and magazine writers. At tonight's meeting the club will be formally organized, though the election of officers may be deferred until a larger membership is secured.

Charities Tax In Australia.

(United Press Landed Wire.) Melbourne, Feb. 24.—The government of the state of Victoria proposes to introduce a charities tax, to which all wage earners will have to contribute. Some of the hospitals are languishing for lack of funds and it is hoped the tax will have the effect of placing them on a sound financial foundation.

SOCIAL SECRETARY TO WED AMBASSADOR REID'S SON



PIRATES STRETCH ROPE TO TRIP THEIR PURSUER

River pirates last night made an unsuccessful attempt to rob Martin's dock and had nearly secured four sacks of sugar and two cases of wine, when a watch dog, owned by G. C. Howell, dock watchman, discovered the culprits and chased them from the dock.

Police headquarters was informed of the attempted burglary about 1 o'clock, and Patrolmen Williams and Parks were sent. They found Howell lying on the lower dock in a half-dazed condition while the dog was tearing around the upper dock, barking furiously. Howell, revived, said he attempted to give chase, but while running down the slip, tripped over a rope, believed to have been placed there by the robbers, and was stunned by the fall. Before this, however, he said he had fired three shots at the fleeing men, none of which took effect.

Believing that these pirates are old offenders, members of a gang under



Miss Helen Miles Rogers, daughter of Mrs. Benjamin Talbot Rogers of Racine, Wis., whose engagement to Ogden Mills Reid, son of Ambassador Reid, has been announced. Mr. Reid met Miss Rogers while she was acting as social secretary to his mother.

arrest some time ago, the harbor police have taken up the search. It is believed the men had a boat and that the line was stretched across the entrance to the slip to trip the watchman.

METOLIUS-PRINEVILLE RAILROAD ORGANIZED

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Salem, Or., Feb. 24.—Articles of incorporation of the Metolius & Prineville Railroad company were filed with the secretary of state this morning. The capital stock of the new railroad corporation is fixed at \$50,000, and the principal office is named as Portland. The incorporators are Harrison Allen, G. C. Frisbie and E. McCulloch. It is the object of the corporation as set forth in the articles, to build a railroad connecting Metolius with Prineville.

Harrison Allen, an attorney in this city, who is one of the incorporators of the Metolius & Prineville Railroad company, said this morning that the new corporation is not identified in any way with the Hill or the Harriman interests, but that it is a private corporation, planning to build a railroad from Metolius to Prineville. He said he was not in position to say what kind of a road would be built, whether to be operated by steam or electricity.

"Our engineer has not yet returned from the field," said Mr. Allen, "and I have nothing to give out for publication until I have conferred with him."

Prominent business men and citizens of the town of Prineville are also planning the construction of a railroad from their town to connect with the Oregon Trunk and the Deschutes Railway lines somewhere in the vicinity of Bend. Their plan, it is understood, are to build an electric road, which it is figured would give better service than a steam road in view of the distance from Prineville to a connecting point, being only 25 miles. Another feature favoring the electric road is said to be the abundance of electric power available both on the Deschutes and Crooked rivers.

TETRAZZINI WINS IN ISIDOR LERNER CASE

(United Press Landed Wire.) New York, Feb. 24.—Louis Tetrazzini was happy today when told that Supreme Court Justice Gerard had given judgment in her favor in the suit Isidor Lerner brought against her for \$35,000 for alleged breach of contract.

Guild Hall for La Grande. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) La Grande, Feb. 24.—Local Episcopallians are much interested in the proposed Guild hall to be built here. Blue prints for the building have been prepared.

SIMPLE REMEDY FOR KID- NEYS

Mix one half ounce fluid extract buchu, one half ounce murex compound, six ounces good pure gin. Take one to each meal and at bed time. The ingredients of this prescription can be had at any well stocked drug store. Anyone can mix. This treatment has benefited thousands since it was discovered a few months ago. It quickly relieves and restores weak kidneys, bladder and other urinary channels. One should not delay after noting symptoms such as backache, rheumatic pains and other well known signs. Serious kidney disease may develop quickly if neglected.

ST. JOHNS WILL TRY WESTRUMITE PAVING

Twenty-nine hundred feet of Jersey street property voted through its owners for westrumite hard surface pavement, and 250 feet for bitulithic pavement, at a meeting of Jersey street owners last night, to decide what hard surface should be recommended to the St. Johns council. Jersey is the main business street of St. Johns. The council is expected to adopt an ordinance favorable to this pavement at once, and if it does, Jersey street, it is said, will be the first in the northwest to make the westrumite experiment. The westrumite bid is to be \$1.75 a square yard. The meeting received a bitulithic offer of \$1.55.

Passal Hill and R. McKoon, St. Johns men, were sent east at the expense of the westrumite interests a short time ago to inspect this hard surface in Indiana and Illinois cities. Mr. Hill made a rosy report to the meeting last night regarding westrumite.

Thirty per cent of Jersey street property was represented at the meeting. There were 100 persons there.

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The wind-up of our February sale is now in sight. Reduced prices have once again been further lowered to clear out stock on hand. Some of the garments reduced have only been in the store three weeks—cost and profit has not been considered. Remember, our liberal credit terms apply at all times to everything we sell.

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