

# MUCH WORK TO DO IN FIVE DAYS BY OLYMPIA SOLONS

Besides Lack of Time, Senate and House Refuse to Get Together on Important Measure.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Olympia, Wash., March 4.—With five more working days of the legislature and the most important measures yet to be thrashed out, the senate and house at loggerheads over the appropriation bills and a general ill feeling between the members of the two branches, it is apparent that a large number of cherished schemes will go aglimmering, and many of the large army of lobbyists, as well as the representatives of the various sections of the state, will return to their homes disappointed men and women. Of the things that actually must be acted upon is the general appropriation bill. The house and senate have each passed a bill to suit the members of either branch, but at a wide variance with each other. The house has flatly refused to concede that the senate has the right to amend its action by adding another \$100,000 to the estimates it decided were sufficient to run the institutions for the biennium. The senate is arbitrary in its view that as it is the senior branch it has the right and the power to force the house to recede from its former position and accept the senate's views.

**Utilities Bill May Pass.**  
The public utilities bill has been passed on to the house and has a good chance of enactment. This bill was framed by Harry Fairchild, chairman of the present railroad commission, and will incorporate with the duties of the railroad commission the supervision of all the public utilities, raising the pay of the commissioners to \$5000 per annum and designating that the present railroad commissioners, H. A. Fairchild, A. J. Lawrence and Jesse T. Jones, be the first commissioners on public utilities. It is estimated it will need \$150,000 to carry on its work for the next two years.

**Books Bad for W. N. G.**  
The military investigating committee having made its report to the legislature and recommended retaining all the head officers, which would include Colonel Matt Gohrney and Colonel Otto A. Case, a big war will be precipitated over the provisions for the national guard. These officers hurried to Olympia as soon as the report was submitted and protested strongly against their removal. They have a large following of influential friends in both houses who are working to save the officers and see that there is enough money appropriated to maintain the guard in the state of efficiency. Other members don't think the state is much better off with the organization, and there has been no many scandals arising during the past two years over the misadministration of the military fund that the attempt to get a considerable appropriation will meet with hard sledding.

**Provision Unconstitutional.**  
The teachers' retirement measure will probably not reach the senate, as the attorney general has held that one of the provisions of the bill is unconstitutional. The fund out of which retired teachers were to have been pensioned was to have been raised by an assessment on the teachers actually engaged in the profession, and also a 1 per cent of the common school fund was to have been diverted into the teachers' pension fund. Attorney General Bell holds that the constitution expressly states that the common school fund can be used for the benefit of the schools and for no other purpose. To pension a teacher would only result in an indirect benefit to the schools by taking from the active list teachers who are too old to have charge of a school-room.

Another measure that the people of Olympia earnestly pray will not die a-borning is the capital building bill, already passed the house. Feasibility entertained that as the measure does not meet with the approval of Governor Hay, the executive will use the whip in the senate, and the bill will never see the light of day in that branch.

**Continue Jute Mill.**  
The senate has decided that the jute mill at the state penitentiary is to be operated another two years, and that if it is found to have proved a losing proposition, to close it. The state has an investment of about \$500,000 in the penitentiary jute mill, and recently a searching inquiry was made to determine whether or not the jute mill had been operated at a loss. E. D. Cowen, a member of the board of control, insisted upon counting in the initial investment, figuring depreciation and giving a close examination of the plant. Friends of the jute mill returned a liberal report discounting Cowen's close analysis in the hope of saving the institution.

Under the old law the board of control was directed to sell jute sacks at cost, and in obeying that instruction no account was ever taken of the cost of maintenance through the keeping of prisoners or of many other details. A perfunctory effort, however, was made to figure depreciation, but it is now admitted that the state, in fact, has been losing heavily.

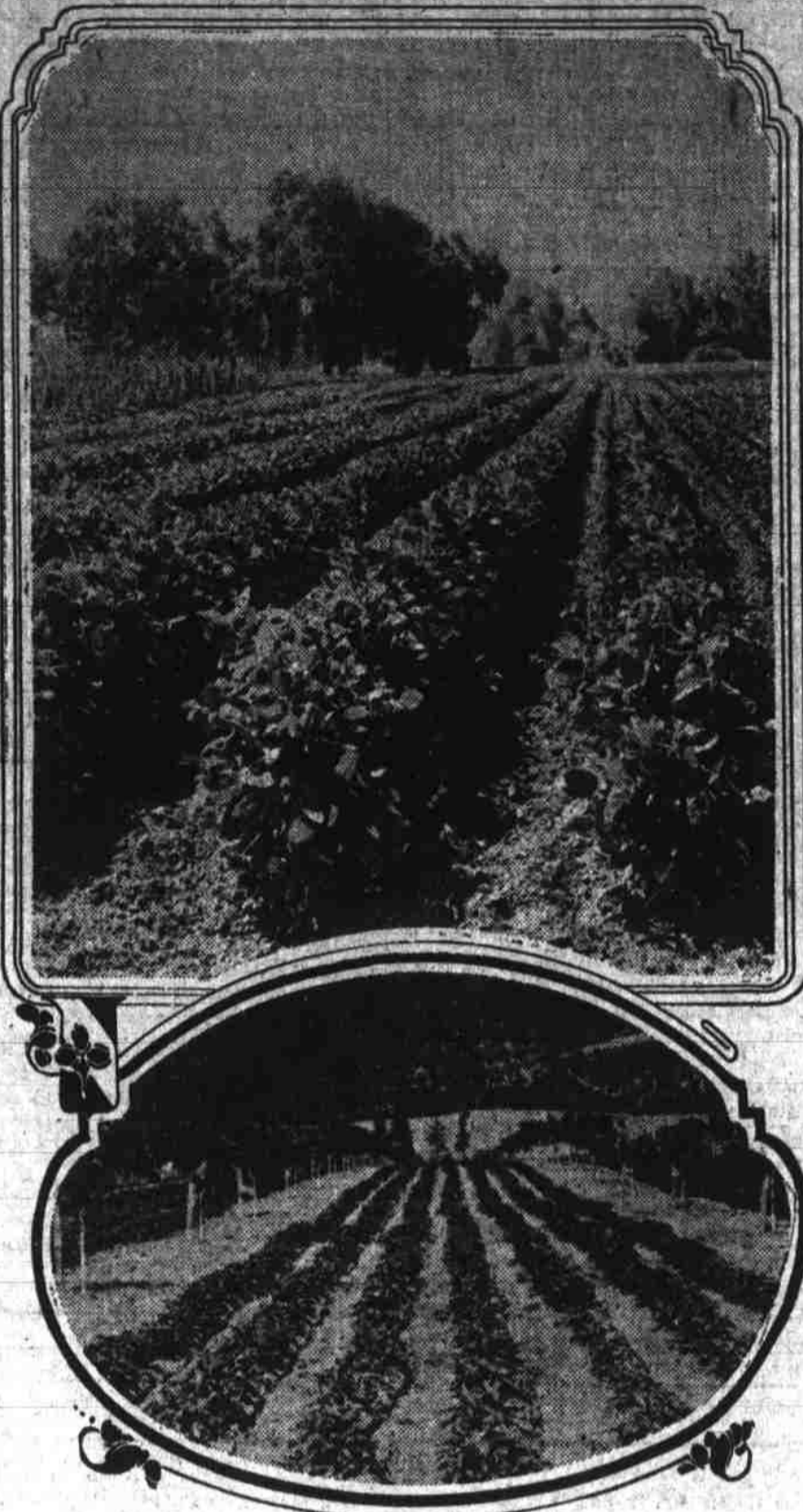
If the administration and east side senators keep faith the mill is to be thoroughly tested during the next two years, and if it is really unprofitable when wide latitude is given in the management, it was promised in debate this morning that the mill would be abandoned.

The bill providing for the continuance of the jute mill authorizes the state to exercise control to sell jute sacks at a profit in competition with private firms, if necessary, to put an agent on the road to handle the sales.

**Insanity Dodge Frustrated.**  
Senator Basset of Adams county has obtained the legislation he has been working for the past several sessions, and that is that when persons are convicted of crimes they cannot plead insanity and escape punishment for their misdeeds. Now when such a person is convicted and examined for insanity, if the examiners are convinced the insanity is real the person will be restrained of their liberty until their malady is cured.

**Little Breath Left.**  
Senator Josiah Collins, a Seattle millionaire with sporting inclinations, cannot let go of his pet measure to permit re-round-no-decision boxing matches anywhere within the state. The bill passed the house and was killed in the senate, but would not stay dead, for a motion to reconsider has been favorably voted upon and it is likely that as the rush of the last few days en-

## IN AN OREGON GARDEN



gages the attention of the members there will be no breath left to oppose the measure.

A feature of the debate on the bill was the declaration of Senator Eastham, who said that he had been mayor of Vancouver, and as a local executive prevented any boxing matches in his home city because of its proximity to Portland.

"We are on the border of this state," said Senator Eastham, "and cannot pre-

vent disreputable characters from following boxers. In the interior cities, the council, mayor and police force can control these characters, and there is no reason why they should not, under reasonable regulations, permit limited boxing matches."

**Gambling Phase Deplored.**  
Senator Collins made the principal argument for the bill, saying in closing: "The principal objection to boxing matches is the betting and gambling

that follows. This element has been eliminated in this bill, and if it is referred to the public morals committee I intend to make a further amendment which will make it a misdemeanor to bet on boxing matches in any manner. But with the absence of a decision you cannot gamble on the outcome. You could even hold horse races in this state and eliminate the gambling feature by prohibiting the judges to give a decision. Not one in twenty newspapers condemns a six, eight or ten-round, no-decision boxing match. You cannot teach boxing even in your Y. M. C. A. organizations unless professionals do the teaching and you cannot get professionals unless you give them the opportunity of giving public exhibitions. I am not in favor of molly-coddling the human race and I am in favor of this bill."

Myers and Bryan made the principal fight against the bill.

Both houses of the legislature have passed a bill allowing county commissioners and engineers to do road repair work up to \$2500 and bridge work

up to \$500 without first calling for bids.

**State Board Has Money.**

The state board of control has prepared a statement showing the expenditure of the institutions for the past two years. The report shows that not only will there be no deficiencies but that over \$200,000 appropriated by the 1909 legislature will revert to the general fund. The largest reversions will come from the Western Hospital for Insane and the school for feeble minded at Medical Lake. At this institution the \$8000 for additional land has been unexpended and there is about \$33,000 cash in the treasury that will not be needed before the new appropriation becomes available. There were \$275,000 appropriated for the purchase of jute and the operation of the jute mill at the state penitentiary. Of this large sum only \$170,000 has been expended, and the remainder reverts to the state treasury. These figures will doubtless have an effect upon the action of the appropriations committee in agreeing

upon the amounts to be granted the institutions for the coming two years.

**Speaker Is Popular.**

Speaker Howard T. Taylor is popular with the news representatives in Olympia this winter—probably more so than any previous speaker of the house of representatives. He has been uniformly considerate and courteous to the quill pushers and capped the long list of nice things he has thought of for their pleasure and convenience by giving the newspaper boys a banquet Thursday evening. The popular speaker was toasted and highly commended for his fairness to the writers.

**To Close Galecties.**

The senators and representatives have issued 2000 invitations to a return ball to be given the people of Olympia, who have been untiring in entertaining the strangers within their gates the past two months. The invitations are being eagerly accepted and it is expected the ball will be a fitting close to the season's gaieties.

## EUGENE REAL ESTATE SHOWS ACTIVITY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Eugene, Or., March 4.—Real estate in and around Eugene is changing hands rapidly at the present time and it is believed that the coming spring and summer will witness the greatest activity in that time in the history of the city. A \$20,000 deal in suburban property was made when E. E. Mink, formerly business manager of the Evening Guard of this city, bought from Walter G. Oliver of Seattle a tract lying immediately to the south of the city and adjoining the corporate limits. It lies on the College Hill loop of the local electric railway system. Mr. Mink will place the lots on the market. Another sale just made is a 300-acre farm at Elmira, belonging to Mrs. Arwilda Buckworth, to William M. Porter, a wealthy easterner who recently arrived here, for \$10,000.

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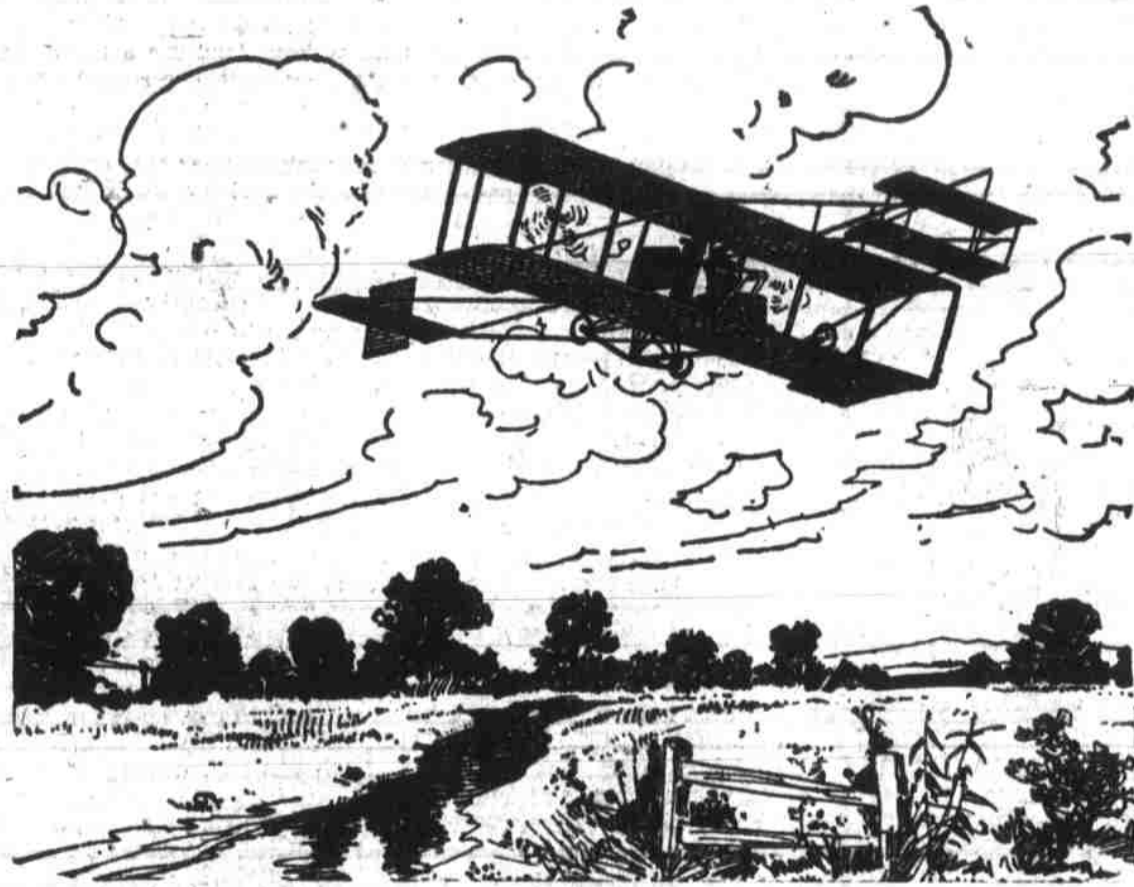


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**Prizes Must Be Called for Within 15 Days From Closing of Contest**

## In Addition to the Above Rewards

Every prize winner will receive, according to the merit of the solution, a cash value reward for an amount from \$25.00 to \$140.00. These rewards will be accepted at their full face value to apply on the purchase of any one of the new pianos that we are introducing to the piano-loving public through this mammoth advertising plan. These pianos will be placed on sale with a reliable firm of this city at a special introductory price. The above-mentioned rewards will be given in denominations as follows: Three at \$140.00, three at \$135.00, three at \$130.00, three at \$125.00, three at \$120.00, three at \$110.00, three at \$100.00, ten at \$75.00, ten at \$50.00, and all correct solutions will receive a reward for \$25.00.

This contest is being conducted by manufacturers for whom we have a contract for advertising their pianos throughout the United States. These manufacturers believe that the best way to introduce and market their pianos is in making special efforts to the people. In order to do this, they have inaugurated this great contest, in which each contestant has an equal chance to win one of these valuable prizes.

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