

## STATEHOUSE JOBS FOR VETERANS IS ISSUE AT OLYMPIA

Oldtime Janitors and Engineers May Be Displaced by Men Who Have Been in Wars; Budget Totals \$9,563,627.

(Special to The Journal.)  
Statehouse, Olympia, Wash., Feb. 15.—The senate indulged in a war of words this morning over a bill to favor old soldiers and Spanish war veterans as statehouse employees, wherever possible. Several senators declared that efficiency should be the test of fitness, but the bill for the old soldiers' vote was too strong for the opponents of the measure and it was carried. Senator White gave notice, however, for reconsideration. Should the bill go into effect it would mean displacing janitors and engineers about the statehouse, who have been employed for years and of whose fitness there is no question.

The legislative committee on labor has included student nurses in the provisions of the eight-hour law for female employees. When the bill is sent to the house with the committee amendments it will be found that graduate nurses are exempted from the eight-hour provision, but not nurses who are taking a training course in a hospital or where it is possible to regulate the hours.

Next Friday will be the last day for introduction of new bills in the legislature and the result is that a flood of new measures is introduced in both houses at every session.

Over \$3,390,000 is the sum asked for by the appropriation committee of the house and senate to run the state for the coming two years. The joint committee put in its budget bill today, and it is generally believed that the house and senate will approve it. Then it will go to the governor.

The main items of expense included in the budget are:  
For the University of Washington, \$1,400,000; for Pullman college, \$757,200; for Bellingham normal, \$198,600; Cheney normal school, \$195,000; Ellensburg normal school, \$154,000; state penitentiary, \$707,450; Chehalis training school, \$193,925.

The exact amount of the budget is \$3,390,000.

The state of Lincoln, to add a new star in the flag, is the proposition made today by Senator "Dick" Hutchinson of Spokane. He prepared a resolution memorializing congress to create a new state out of all of eastern Washington and five Idaho counties, which he claimed are more logically united than are the eastern and western counties of Washington.

**PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT IS AGREED UPON**  
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posed in the battle-torn city within the last few hours.

Telegraphing from Vera Cruz today Consul General Canada declares that hundreds of refugees are crowding into this city from the capital. He has funds to feed them for only two days. All the refugees tell stories of almost incredible hardships in Mexico City where they say the conditions are almost beyond belief.

**Extra Marines Dispatched.**  
It was learned today that 10 American warships now stationed at Guantanamo were each ordered to prepare accommodations for 200 marines, besides the regular complement of officers and men.

Transports have been ordered to make ready to receive the army's quota—one fifth of the army's cavalry, one

fifth of its field artillery and three fifths of the infantry.

Two officers from the quartermaster's department have been ordered to Galveston to view a site and plan all necessary arrangements for the contemplated establishment there of an infantry and military camp.

The army staff is preparing maps showing every strategic point in Mexico.

**TWO THOUSAND U. S. MARINES ORDERED TO GUANTANAMO, CUBA**

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Washington, Feb. 15.—By Sunday 2000 United States marines, ready for immediate use in Mexico, will have landed at Guantanamo, Cuba. The transports Meade and McClellan will leave Norfolk tomorrow with the marines on board.

The government still retains its non-intervention policy, but it is preparing for action if war should start in Mexico or other foreigners should start in Mexico City or any of the other towns in the disturbed republic.

Except in the south, Mexico is surrounded by American battleships and troops. The state department has almost abandoned hope of the Mexico City situation clearing, and hopes American residents and other foreigners will leave there as quickly as possible.

Official dispatches received here today say hundreds of refugees are arriving at Vera Cruz. The refugees declared the food supplies in Mexico City are steadily diminishing and the natives of the city are reported greatly aroused over the situation.

The state department is admittedly worried over the situation at Manzanillo where anti-American sentiment is rapidly growing.

Ambassador Wilson wired today that fears of pestilence in Mexico City are increasing as a result of unburied dead, destruction of sewers, failure of the water supply and a shortage of fresh food. The American residents, he said, had formed a relief society.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
New York, Feb. 15.—With 1020 marines aboard, the battleship Connecticut sailed from the Brooklyn navy yard for Guantanamo, Cuba, today. Seven hundred other marines left the navy yard and took a special train for Philadelphia where they will board a transport. All are equipped for active service.

**FIRE BURNS 1500 TURKISH HOMES**

Threatens Famous Mosque; Serbia Sends Heaviest Guns to Adrianople Siege.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Constantinople, Feb. 15.—Fire, which threatened the famous mosque of St. Sophia, was extinguished this morning after 1500 houses in the district adjoining the fane had been destroyed. The loss is unknown.

Belgrade, Feb. 15.—Serbia today sent 30 of its heaviest siege guns to Adrianople in order to continue the bombardment uninterrupted until Turkey surrenders. The destruction of Adrianople is predicted unless the garrison soon yields.

Berlin, Feb. 15.—Russia has recently presented Serbia with arms and equipment for 100,000 men, according to news agency dispatches received here today. It is declared that German diplomats fear that Russia is giving Serbia active backing against Austria.

London, Feb. 15.—Advices were received today by Turkish leaders which denied the reported assassination of Enver Bey.

## YES, HULL FINDS OUT HOW McCOURT WAS APPOINTED

Testimony of National Republican Committeeman Ralph Williams Taken in Siletz Homesteaders' Hearing.

Ralph Williams, Republican National committeeman, was on the stand this morning in the hearing that United States Attorney John McCourt is conducting in regard to fraudulent entry on Siletz Indian reservation homestead lands. Williams testified as to his political relations with Mr. McCourt. The government prosecutor had been attacked by Oliver Lee Hull as being under obligation to Williams and McCourt and Hull questioned the politician together on the point.

"How long have you known Mr. McCourt?" Williams was asked.

"Only since his appointment," was the reply.

"Did you have anything to do with his appointment?" asked Hull.

"Nothing whatever," said Williams. "Mr. McCourt was appointed by Theodore Roosevelt, a very dear enemy of mine."

**Owens Three Claims.**  
Hull then began questioning Mr. Williams regarding some of his business affairs as a banker of Dallas. Hull tried to draw forth from Williams that he had been influential in the passage of the Hawley act, which was designed to allow former homesteaders of land in the Siletz reservation to reacquire their old homesteads, but was unsuccessful.

"How many trips have you taken to Washington?" asked Hull.

Mr. Williams said that he had been to the national capital three times, the first time on his honeymoon, the second last June when he attended the party national convention in Chicago, and the third time last fall when he was called in consultation on a "serious party matter."

Mr. Williams further said that he was not financially interested in all the claims, as Hull represented in an affidavit. He was asked how many he was interested in and replied that he owned three.

"What did you have to do with the drawing up of the Hawley bill?" asked Hull.

"Not a thing in the world and I don't know who did," replied Williams.

Hull's charges against land office officials and officers of the department of justice, were pretty well hashed in yesterday's hearing. McCourt put him on the witness stand early in the morning, and he remained there overtime in the evening. Hull's interest in the "squatter" rights was proven to be altogether altruistic. He showed intimate knowledge, however, with the present day condition of the claims under litigation. On the stand yesterday, Hull made the charges against Committee-man Williams that were refuted in persons by Mr. Williams this morning. Hull characterized Congressman Hawley's attitude as inexplicable, but said that he at any rate was "grossly wrong."

"Now what's the matter with the interior department?" demanded McCourt. "I don't say anything about that, I believe," was the reply.

"Well, what did you say about my office?"

"I said the entire department should be investigated all the way down. I don't see why the entire department of justice shouldn't be investigated," defiantly exclaimed Hull.

Hull complained that he had sent complaints in regarding this matter for several years and that nothing had come of them.

A paste made from ordinary whiting, applied wet and permitted to dry before it is rubbed off, will remove grease from paint without injuring the latter.

## LINK WILL GIVE HILL GOLF LINE

Twohy Brothers Get Contract for Oring Junction Cutoff in Wyoming.

Twohy Brothers, railroad contractors of Portland, have been awarded a contract for the building of the Powder River-Oring Junction cutoff of the Burlington railroad in Wyoming, a distance of about 100 miles, and at a cost of approximately \$7,000,000. Equipment is now being shipped from the company's yards on East Sixth street.

This stretch of road will give the Hill system a continuous line from the Pacific northwest to the Gulf of Mexico, and for that reason its construction is of immense importance. The new route will be from Portland to Spokane over the North Bank, from Spokane to Billings, Mont., over the Great Northern or Northern Pacific, from Billings to Oring Junction over the Burlington, from Oring Junction to Galveston over the Colorado & Southern.

The connecting up of this chain of subsidiary properties leaves room for considerable speculation as to how traffic will be divided between rail and water upon the completion of the Panama canal, for the Hill system, it is pointed out, will be in pretty good shape to offer keen competition by the new route, from the northwest to the Gulf.

## SPENCER IS HAPPY; FATHER GETS JOB

House and Senate Jointly Ratify Selections of 7 for Port of Portland.

Salem, Or., Feb. 15.—In joint assembly at noon today the house and senate ratified the nominations for seven places on the Port of Portland commission made by the Multnomah delegation in caucus last night.

In the Multnomah delegation last night 13 names were placed in nomination. Of the present members of the port commission E. H. Dodge was the only one to meet defeat. He was supplanted by Captain E. W. Spencer, father of Representative W. Irving Spencer, the selection of Spencer being partly in compliment to his son, who has been untiring in trying to land this berth for his father, going so far as to propose a bill to make his father the "boss," as he expressed it.

The vote cast in the delegation, 19 members being present, was as follows: Drake C. O'Reilly, 18, J. W. Shaver, 17, R. D. Inman, 13, S. M. Mears, 12, A. L. Pease, 12, E. W. Spencer, 12, Joseph Goodman, 10, E. H. Dodge, 7, C. S. Jackson, 6, L. A. Bailey, 6, R. O. Rector, 5, Thomas N. Crane, 5, M. O. Collins, 4, John H. Burgard, 3, Chris Minisinger, 3.

On the Spencer side were Spencer, O'Reilly, Shaver, Crane, Rector, Burgard and Minisinger.

**WEST AGAIN BEGS HOUSE TO REPEAL THE SWAMP BILL**

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school with the hope that when you return to your constituents it can be said that while you gave to the institutions of higher education everything they asked in the way of appropriation, you refused even to extend a protecting hand to the common school and the little red school house when about to be raided by a grasping corporation."

Following the reading of this message steam roller members demanded a call of the house. All members but Campbell, Graves and Handley were found. Then a motion was made to indefinitely postpone the bill. This was the test and the machine lost.

The vote was 29 to 23 against postponement, which had the effect of placing the bill on the calendar for third reading.

The vote for indefinite postponement of the bill was as follows: Abbott, Anderson of Wasco, Applegate, Barton, Carlin, Carpenter, Forbes, Forsstrom, Holter, Hinkle, Hughes, LaTourrette, Lofgren, Mann, McDonald, Mitchell, Murnane, Nolta, Olson, Potter, Schnoor, Smith, Spencer, Stranahan, Stanford, Upton, Westlund, McArthur.

Against—Anderson of Clatsop, Belland, Blanchard, Bonebrake, Brunk, Chapman, Childs, Eaton, Gill, Hagood, Hall, Hill, Homan, Howard, Hurd, Johnson, Laughlin, Lawrence, Lewelling, Massey, Meek, Nichols, Parsons, Pelree, Porter, Reames, Schubel, Thoms, Weeks.

Another jolt was given the steam roller today when the house refused to sustain the ways and means committee on its adverse report of Belland's bill for an agricultural experiment station in Clatsop county. The house voted down the report and placed the bill on the calendar for third reading.

These actions of the house are not bringing happy smiles to the faces of the steam roller committee.

**PATENT PAVING ITEM IS FINALLY LEFT OUT**

Salem, Or., Feb. 15.—After a short debate, in which patented pavement again became a feature, the senate yesterday afternoon concurred in the conference amendments to the Hurd-Barrett county road bonding bill, which will be the first piece of constructive road legislation to be sent to the governor.

Kellaher tried to induce the senate to go into committee of the whole to put his famous amendment against patent paving back into the bill, but the senate refused. Several senators said they wanted this amendment, but were not willing to delay road legislation any further on that account. The conference report was finally adopted by the following vote:

For—Barnett, Bean, Burgess, Butler, Carlin, Carson, Day, Farrell, Hawley, Hollis, Hoskins, Kiddle, Lester, Moser, Patton, Ragsdale, Smith of Josephine, Thompson, Von der Hellen, Malarkey, 20.

Not—Dimick, Joseph, Kellaher, McCulloch, Miller, Naughey, Smith of Coos, Stewart, Wood, 5.

Absent—Perkins.

## MOSER'S 2 JUDGES ARE CUT TO ONE

Farrell's Stand Against Bench of 8 in Multnomah Is Responsible.

(Staff Correspondence.)  
Salem, Or., Feb. 15.—Senator Moser's bill for two new circuit judges for Multnomah county, in addition to advancing Judge Cleeton to the circuit bench, is to be pruned by allowing only one additional judge, making seven in all.

Moser's two-judge bill was defeated Saturday, but revived yesterday by reconsideration. Then it was re-referred to the judiciary committee, where it will be reformed into a one-judge bill.

Senator Farrell's firm stand against allowing more than one new judge was responsible for the change. Had he favored the bill, as Moser had expected, it would have passed last Saturday.

At a meeting last night the Multnomah delegation disappointed the candidates for county commissioner to fill the new job to be created by promotion of County Judge Cleeton. They had expected the Multnomah men to select a man for the job, the senate having passed a bill by Moser with a place for the name left blank.

Attention was called by house members to house bills 253 and 335, the former establishing superior courts and abolishing county courts, the latter providing for selecting a new commissioner by the other commissioners at the first meeting in July.

Thereupon the delegation decided to await the outcome of these house bills, and the special measures passed by the senate applying to Multnomah county only were hastily placed on the shelf.

Several of the Multnomah men were opposed to any effort to select a new county commissioner by legislative action.

**PHONE LINEMEN TALKING STRIKE**

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
San Francisco, Feb. 15.—Despite considerable strike talk which is being received from Portland with regard to the negotiations which have been in progress for some time between officials of the Pacific district council of Electrical Workers and the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company, local representatives of the Electrical Workers are confident that the matter will be adjusted by arbitration. A conference will be held this Tuesday afternoon between representatives of the corporation and of the workers, and if an agreement is

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**MORE ROOM NEEDED BY SOLDIERS' HOME**

(Staff Correspondence.)  
Salem, Or., Feb. 15.—An additional building for the soldiers' home at Roseburg is recommended in a report by the

special legislative committee which recently visited that institution. This is declared to be urgently needed to overcome present congestion. Modern fire escapes are also urged. The management is commended, no complaints having been lodged by any of the inmates. The report is signed by Senators Von der Hellen and Monahan and Representatives Stranahan, Mann and Chapman.

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