

Eastern Oregon and Coast Counties Ask \$5,000,000 Road Slice; Tenure Forces Divided

NEW ONSLAUGHT ON HIGHWAY MAP REGARDED CERTAIN

Roosevelt-The Dalles California highway schemes.
VOTERS MAY DECIDE
The bill when it is amended in the senate highway committee is to be brought out upon the floor of the senate once more additionally amended with the provision that it is to be submitted to the voters of the state for approval or rejection at the next general or special election and in the hope that it will have no trouble so far as the legislature is concerned.
The program, if it is carried out according to plans will undoubtedly be the signal for a general onslaught upon the state highway map which has been zealously guarded since its enactment in 1917. The special session of 1920 saw what could be accomplished by the legislature in the way of attempted alterations of the map and if the present session once gets started to writing new highways on the landscape it would be difficult to predict where it would stop. As Billy Swepe might remark, though from a different viewpoint perhaps, "It's beginning to look like the good old days" so far as the road program is concerned.

Bill Proposing to Pledge Delegates' Votes Gets Beaten

State House, Salem, Feb. 8.—The death sentence with only six representatives to say nay was meted out to Representative Lynn's house bill No. 101 Monday afternoon, even though Lynn tried to get it a temporary respite through reference back to committee.
This was the bill that proposed to pledge delegates to national party conventions to support of the candidates for president and vice president receiving the highest number of votes in the state. Lynn said the recent experience in Oregon in regard to the one national delegate who wouldn't vote for Hiram Johnson caused him to produce the bill. It was lost by a decisive vote; its supporters being only Representatives Lynn, Belknap, Martin, Pierce, Richards and Shank.

Judges Will Lose Vacation if House Favors Senate Bill

State House, Salem, Feb. 8.—Circuit judges for Multnomah county faced with prospect of being compelled to forego their annual summer vacations if the house sustains the senate in its passage of Senator Hume's bill No. 16, under the present law no vacations are held during July and August. This fact Hume declared has resulted in serious contention of the courts. Senators Moser, Joseph and Banks opposed the bill on the ground that its provisions would work a great hardship on members of the circuit bench through requiring their attendance upon court during the summer months.

House Gives Davey Permit to Withdraw His Publication Bill

State House, Salem, Feb. 8.—Permission of the house of representatives was given to Representative Davey of Marion Monday afternoon to withdraw his house bill No. 252, introduced by him at the request of the Oregon State Editorial association.
This was a bill that required the publication of delinquent tax lists in all of the qualified newspapers in the county payable at the rate of 2 cents per column-inch for each line through regular bill in no instance to exceed a rate of \$1 per inch, regardless of circulation.

Bill Pledging Aid On Logged-Off Land Loses by Tie Vote

State House, Salem, Feb. 8.—Sentiment was evenly divided in the house today on Representative Sherman M. Miller's house joint resolution No. 7, providing for state aid in reclaiming logged-off lands.
The motion to adopt was lost for lack of constitutional majority. The vote was 18 to 18.
The resolution called for submission to the vote of the people for approval of a state credit to an amount not to exceed 2 per cent of the assessed valuation of all the property of the state to be extended to provide funds for clearing, grubbing and making available for agriculture the logged-off and burned over lands of the state.



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REP. F. D. SHANK OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY



TEACHERS' TENURE SPLITS DELEGATION FROM MULTNOMAH

State House, Salem, Or., Feb. 8.—After an hour or more of wrangling and dissension the Multnomah delegation blew up at its joint session called late yesterday afternoon for final consideration of the teachers' tenure law, with the result that two reports will be sent to the senate covering the subject, one, the majority recommendation, of the delegation that the Hume resolution providing that the tenure question be submitted to a legislative committee for investigation and report to the 1923 legislature be adopted, the other, a minority report, that the Staples bill be passed.

SENATE BILLS

Bills Introduced in Senate
S. B. 285, by Banks—Amending statutes relating to improvement of market roads.
S. B. 270, by Committee on Revision of Laws—Providing procedure for enforcing claims to personal property where defendant is not within state of Oregon.
S. B. 271, by Ritter and Patterson—Providing for construction of buildings at state training school for boys, state institution for feeble minded, state industrial school for girls and Eastern Oregon hospital for insane and making appropriations aggregating \$525,000.
S. B. 272, by Ritter—Providing system of discounts for grains of interior grades.
S. B. 273, by Eberhard (by request)—Amending section 3305, Oregon laws, relating to union high school boards.
S. B. 274, by Dennis, Strayer, Ellis and Robertson—Appropriating \$123,567.25 for payment of bounties on wild animals.
S. B. 275, by Strayer—Amending section 7355, Oregon laws, pertaining to eminent domain of irrigation and drainage districts.
S. B. 276, by Moser—Providing for incorporation of fraternal organizations.
S. B. 277, by Farrell—Appropriating \$20,000 for carrying out provisions of child welfare act.
S. B. 278, by Dennis—Regulating commissions to be paid to insurance agents.
S. B. 279, by Dennis—Empowering public service commission to fix rates of insurance, automobile liability, contracts of indemnity, guarantee or other policies, liability or other lines of insolvency or insurance.
S. B. 280, by Gill—Providing for teaching of kindness to animals in public schools of state.
S. B. 281, by joint delegation from Umatilla county—Providing for increase in salaries of county treasurer, clerk, recorder and sheriff of Umatilla county.
S. B. 282, by Upton—Providing appropriation of \$5000 for premiums for interstate fire insurance.
S. B. 283, by Ellis—Increasing salaries of officials of Grant county.
S. B. 284, by senate committee on agriculture and forestry—Amending statutes relating to organization of co-operative associations.
S. B. 285, by Hall—Providing for distribution of interest on delinquent tax payments.
Bills Passed by Senate
S. B. 86, by Eddy—Providing for regulation of bond houses by the state corporation commissioner.
S. B. 187, by committee on fishing industries—Providing for commercial fishing code.
S. B. 226, by Ryan, Bell, Eddy—Providing penalty for state and county officials accepting gifts in connection with purchase of bonds or warrants.
S. B. 17, by Hume—Amending act creating court of domestic relations for Northwest Oregon.
S. B. 3, by Ryan—Exempting sand and gravel used on public roads, bridges and canals from payment of state royalties.
S. B. 16, by Hume—Providing for seasonal examinations, count for Multnomah county on first Monday of every month.
S. B. 69, by Bell—Providing for double election of second board of county commissioners when 20 have been cast.
S. B. 198, by Porter—Providing for classification and labeling of foreign, incubated and storage eggs.
S. B. 199, by Fisher—Defining methods of determining circulation of newspapers publishing county court proceedings.
H. B. 140, by La Follette—Amending statutes relating to line fences.
H. B. 74, by Marsh, Shiria, Hopkins—Relating to stock running at large in Douglas county.
H. B. 58, by McFarland—Providing relief for Mrs. Gertrude J. Denny and authorizing state board of farm commissioners to make such payments as it deems proper.
H. B. 143, by committee on soldiers' homes—Providing for admittance of all ex-service men to soldiers' homes at Roseburg.
H. B. 97, by Kottell—Providing for organization of Oregon state board of aircraft examiners, regulation of flying and registering of aviators.
H. B. 79, by Stone and Hammond—Providing additional methods for cities to enforce payment of liens against real property.
H. B. 114, by Pierce—Relating to terms of county courts.
H. B. 7, by Allen—Amending statutes relating to real estate brokers and property by executors and administrators.
H. B. 14, by Wells—Relating to false statements in writing to obtain credit and providing penalty therefor.
S. B. 274, by Ritter (substitute for S. B. 193)—Providing system of discounts for grain of interior grade.
S. B. 82, by Hall—Relating to bank loans.
S. B. 210, by Hall—Increasing required capital stock for banks and trust companies in Portland from \$100,000 to \$200,000.
S. B. 7, by Hume—Regulating practice of chiropraxy in Oregon.
S. B. 235, by Upton—Amending statutes relating to Tumalo irrigation project.
S. B. 188, by joint committee on irrigation and drainage—Providing for transfer of power license fees to survey fund.
S. B. 113, by Gill—Amending statutes regulating chiropractors.

SENATE FIGHT LOOMS

Moser gave notice that he would prepare a minority report, reporting the bill out with a favorable recommendation.
Various of the members of the delegation served notice to their colleagues that they would not be bound by any action taken by their delegation, but would voice and vote their convictions upon the floor of the house and senate. It is apparent from the meeting that the tenure bill will breed a bitter battle in the senate when the report reaches the clerk's desk.

Soldier Exemption Bill to Be Passed Up for Legal View

State House, Salem, Feb. 8.—Should the Oregon legislature pass a bill which accords with its sentiments and wishes, even though its lawyer members advise it that the bill is unconstitutional?
This is a question that arose in the house of representatives Monday when Representative Frank Davey's bill to exempt from taxation to the extent of \$1000 the property of any honorably discharged Union soldier or sailor, or soldier of the Mexican war or the Indian wars in the state of Oregon, was up for consideration. It finally was referred to the committee on judiciary to get the opinion of the attorney general.

EDUCATIONAL FUND NEEDS PRESENTED BY STATE SCHOOLS

State House, Salem, Feb. 8.—In spite of the material increase in millage allowances granted by the voters of the state last June, both the State university and the Agricultural college are operating on far less adequate housing accommodations and at far less per capita cost than the average obtaining for similar institutions in any other section of the United States, according to figures presented by President P. L. Campbell of the University and President W. J. Kerr of the Agricultural college, before the ways and means committee, Monday night.

HOUSE BILLS

Bills Passed by House
H. B. 371, by Kubi—Amending sections 3739 and 3722, Oregon Laws, and providing that certain printing may be obtained in the open market.
H. B. 174, by Hopkins—Amending section 3879, Oregon laws, relating to witnesses in Douglas, Jackson and Joseph counties.
H. B. 200, by Bennett—Authorizing the proof of a will ex parte by affidavits.
H. B. 214, by Hindman—Amending sections 3443 and 3345, Oregon Laws, relating to support of the poor.
H. B. 27, by Hindman—Regulating junk dealers.
H. B. 276, by Hindman—To prohibit a certain defense against a charge of non-support.
H. B. 175, by Miller—Amending section 1079, Oregon Laws, relating to the acquisition of toll roads by counties.
H. B. 186, by Bell—To amend section 3008, Oregon Laws, changing the membership of the emergency board.
H. B. 82, by Wells—Repealing chapter 172 general laws of Oregon of 1919, and defining a real estate broker and licensing and regulating same.
H. B. 167, by Hindman and Kottell—Regulating persons doing business under an assumed name and repealing sections 7777 to 7782, inclusive, Oregon Laws.
H. B. 281, by Hindman—Providing an allowance to William E. Lamb as compensation for injuries received as member of the Oregon military police.
Bills Introduced in House
H. B. 321, by Linn county delegation (substitute for H. B. 219)—Fixing salaries of officials of Linn county.

Anti-Vaccination Bill Is Tabled in House

State House, Salem, Feb. 8.—Senator Hume was unable to convince his colleagues Monday that the people of the state "knew not what they did" when they voted down the anti-compulsory vaccination measure last November. As a result of this inability, Hume's bill embodying the same provisions as did the referred bill defeated by the voters at the November election, was indefinitely postponed by the upper house when it came up for consideration.

HUME COURT BILL TO THIRD READING

Salem, Feb. 8.—By a vote of 15 to 15 the senate this morning failed to indefinitely postpone Senator Hume's bill providing that departments of the circuit court be abolished so far as the nomination and election of members of the bench is concerned, and the bill was passed to third reading and placed on the calendar by the ruling of President Ritter.
Those voting to indefinitely postpone the bill were Banks, Bell, Dennis, Eberhard, Edwards, Hall, Moser, Norblad, Patterson, Robertson, Ryan, Smith, Staples, Upton and Ritter.
Those opposed to indefinitely postponement and therefore in favor of the passage of the bill were Eddy, Ellis, Farrell, Gill, Hare, Hume, Jones, Joseph, Lachmum, Lafolette, Nickelson, Porter, Strayer, Thomas and Vinton.

HUME OPENS DEBATE

Hume opened the debate by reviewing the departmental system in vogue in Multnomah county. It created antagonism between the judge in office and the candidate who ran against him, he said, and was not in the public interest. The departmental system did not prevail in the election of any other official in the state government. His bill would give each candidate an equal chance in an open field.
There could be no opposition urged against the bill except the desire to protect the incumbent. Officers of the court had been sent to Salem to lobby against the bill, Hume contended, which was another indication that the judges were afraid of the bill because it disturbed the safety of their tenure.
Moser opposed the bill saying that it had but one object in view, namely, to get rid of some of the judges now serving and to see that "he" or some other were elected in their places. "The best way to get good judges was to make the candidates run against each other. Under Hume's bill a certain man who ran in Multnomah county and who did not possess the legal qualifications—the senator named Arthur Orton before the delegation meeting—would have been elected," he said.
Upton moved the previous question at the conclusion of Moser's remarks, shutting off further debate.
Hume said that his bill was to shut out the courthouse ring in Multnomah county and give the people a chance to elect their judges.

Funds Requested For Construction Of State Schools

State House, Salem, Feb. 8.—The construction, furnishing and equipment of a building for the state training school for boys at a cost of \$280,000, a new wing on the Eastern Oregon hospital for the insane at Pendleton at a cost of \$160,000, a new cottage at the girls' industrial school at a cost of \$50,000, and a girls' dormitory at the state school for feeble minded to cost \$35,000, is provided for in a bill introduced Monday by Senators Ritter and Patterson.
Funds for this construction work aggregating \$425,000 are to be derived from the diversion of the one fourth mill road levy to the general fund of the state for a period of two years under an agreement entered into with the roads and highways committee of the house and senate.
The building for the training school will be constructed on land owned by the state southeast of Salem and near the present training school, which it is intended to convert into a reform school for older boys, some of whom are committed to the training school and others of whom are sent to the state prison.

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BOND HOUSE BILL PASSES; SPECIAL DRY AGENT DENIED

State House, Salem, Feb. 8.—Senate bill No. 69, by Eddy, bringing bond houses within the purview of the blue sky law and placing bond dealers under the jurisdiction of the state corporation commissioner, was passed by the senate Monday by a vote of 23 to 7. Efforts by Senator Hume, Joseph and Ellis of the committee on revision of laws to recommit the bill were charged by Eddy as founded only upon a desire to still further delay legislation in regulation of bond houses in Oregon.
The bill provides for examination of the records of all bond houses by the commissioner at least once a year, and also requires that the bond houses must keep on hand at all times sufficient assets to cover outstanding interim certificates and safeguard so far as possible investors in securities who are patrons of bond houses.

SPECIAL AGENT BILL LOST

The bill Eddy contended, represented a practical solution of the demand voiced by the people and press of Oregon for the regulation of bond houses, and had been approved by both bond dealer and buyer.
A counter proposal, placing the bond houses under the jurisdiction of the state banking department, it is understood, will be introduced in the house to defeat the Eddy measure there.
By a vote of 35 the house of representatives Monday afternoon killed house bill No. 258, by Representative Albert S. Roberts of The Dalles, providing for the appointment of a chief special agent for enforcement of prohibition laws.
The committee on alcoholic traffic was divided, four of its members recommending that the bill be passed. Representative Hindman of Multnomah county presented a minority report, recommending that the bill be defeated.
HOUSE VOTE ON BILL
On the floor of the house these reports produced a fervid flow of oratory, in which Hindman, Belknap, Gallagher, Lynn, Hubbard and Roberts participated. Hindman maintained that the bill was vicious in its provisions in that it took prosecuting power from the district attorneys and placed it in the hands of a special agent, who would be empowered to appoint unlimited deputies. He said one half the fines would go into his fund for further prosecutions and that the result would be the creation of a corps of special agents composed of stool pigeons, with the working out of a "vicious circle."
The vote to indefinitely postpone further consideration of the bill stood: Ayes—Acheson, Allen, Bennett, Burdick, Carner, Carter, Cary, Fisher, Fletcher, Flint, Gallagher, Hammond, Hindman, Hopkins, Hosterford, Hubbard, Kottell, Kubi, Lafolette, McFarland, Miles, North, Overturf, Pierce, Powell, Richards, Shank, Sheldon, Shiria, Templeton, Wells, Westcott.
Nays—Belknap, Davey, Gordon of Multnomah, Gordon of Linn, Hunder, Hyatt, Johnston, Kay, Kinney, Lee, Looney, Lynn, Martin, Miller, Perry, Roberts, Sloan, Stone, Woodson, Wright.
Absent—Dennis, Childs, Malbone, Bean.
Free text books are in sight for the school children of Oregon. The senate Monday afternoon by a vote of 19 to 11 refused to approve the adverse report of the minority members of the committee on education, placing itself on record by just that proportion in favor of the Hays bill, which is now on third reading and will come up for final consideration Tuesday.

Appropriations for Armories in Three Counties Proposed

State House, Salem, Feb. 8.—Representatives from Jackson, Coos, Curry, Yamhill and Polk county have combined in the introduction of a bill in the house providing for state appropriations for the acquisition of sites, building, equipment and furnishings for armories at Medford, Jackson county; Independence, Polk county; McMinnville, Yamhill county, and for completion and furnishing of an armory at Marshfield, Coos county.
The proposed appropriations are: For Medford, \$46,000; For Independence, \$20,000; For McMinnville, \$40,000.
These amounts must be duplicated by donations of like amounts by these localities or their counties, in which the value of the site, if donated, may be included as part of the amount to be raised locally.

Salary Schedules Readjustment Aim Of Linn County Bill

State House, Salem, Feb. 8.—The latest move for readjustment of salaries of county officials came from the Linn county delegation in the house this morning when it introduced a bill fixing a schedule for Linn county officials as follows:
County judges \$1800; county commissioners \$4 a day for actual time served; treasurer \$1200; clerk \$1000; recorder \$2000; coroner \$1500; sheriff \$2000; assessor \$6100; school superintendent \$1200; and one stenographer at \$600.
The vote to indefinitely postpone further consideration of the bill stood: Ayes—Acheson, Allen, Bennett, Burdick, Carner, Carter, Cary, Fisher, Fletcher, Flint, Gallagher, Hammond, Hindman, Hopkins, Hosterford, Hubbard, Kottell, Kubi, Lafolette, McFarland, Miles, North, Overturf, Pierce, Powell, Richards, Shank, Sheldon, Shiria, Templeton, Wells, Westcott.
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