APPROPRIATION BILL

Total is $1,296,274.14—Full Pay for Members of the House That Failed to Organize.

The passage of the general appropriation bill by the house was the feature of the legislative proceedings Thursday, though it did not come up in that branch till the middle of the afternoon.

It was considered more than an hour in committee of the whole, where $7,540.70 was added to it, the chief addition being $7,000 to give full pay to the members of the house that failed to organize in 1897. The committee had allowed only the pay for five days, as provided by the constitution. The specific appropriation of $45,000 for interest was eliminated by the committee before the matter came before the house. The total sum of the bill as passed is $1,296,274.14.

In the Senate.

A resolution by Brownell that the senate appoint a committee of two to work with the chief clerk and assistant clerk in correcting and compiling a journal of the session was adopted.

The committee on ways and means reported on the per diem of senators, senate officers, attaches and committee clerks, allowing chief clerks of committees $6.50, assistant chief clerks $4, stenographers $5, expert clerks $6.50, all other clerks $3.

The committee of Multnomah senators reported back the house bill to provide for a separate board on the county affairs for Multnomah county, and it was passed.

Fordney's house bill, fixing terms of court in the eighth judicial district, was passed.

A concurrent resolution of sympathy on the death of Mrs. T. T. Geer, offered by Senator Brownell, was adopted.

The house bill amending the code, prescribing the terms of court in the sixth judicial district, passed.

A house bill establishing the boundaries of Washington county passed without opposition.

Driver introduced a bill to protect honest citizens from scurrilous and defamatory attacks of the press, making it a misdemeanor for a publisher to refuse to print a retraction or counter statement in vindication, punishable by a fine not to exceed $50 or imprisonment from 10 to 20 days. No penalty is prescribed for publication of the defamatory article.

At noon the senate adjourned until 8 P. M., as a mark of respect to the memory of Mrs. T. T. Geer.

At the afternoon session of the senate the house bill to amend the code in relation to the establishment of state normal schools was read a second time and referred to the committee on revision of laws to report at the regular session.

Young's house bill for the protection of elk was called up by Fulton, and slightly amended, and passed.

Ross' house bill to establish in New York city a fiscal agency for Oregon was indefinitely postponed.

The house bill authorizing Benton county officers to sell certain county property at Empire City was passed.

The house bill authorizing the county court of Multnomah county to lease the upper deck of the steel bridge was reported back by the committee on counties with slight amendments, and passed.

Curtis' fish bill was reported back with amendments, and passed.

Dufur's bill for the better protection of grouse and prairie chickens in Oregon was passed.

The committee on revision of laws reported back Maxwell's house bill revising the fees to be charged in Tillamook county, with amendments, which were adopted and the bill was passed.

In the House.

The lower house of the legislature contented itself Thursday forenoon with the passage of Sherwin's bill to foster the beet sugar industry in the state. The bill was passed by a vote of 32 to 24.

Speaker Carter having announced the death of Mrs. T. T. Geer, wife of the governor-elect, at 11:30, the house adjourned till 8 o'clock as a mark of respect.

Upon the reassembling of the house, Young of Clatsop, called for a reconsideration of the vote by which Senator Laykendall's bill fixing the qualification of school electors was lost Wednesday. He said a majority of members had come to a better understanding as to the merits of the bill. Upon another vote being taken the bill was passed; ayes 53, noes 4, absent 3.

Flagg's Salem charter bill was passed by a unanimous vote.

After a discussion of the general appropriation bill in committee of the whole, the house adjourned till 7:30.

Upon reconvening at 7:30, a number of bills sent back from the senate with amendments attached, were taken up. The amendments to Curtis' fish bill, Young's bill for the protection of elk, Maxwell's bill regulating the fees of county officers in Tillamook county and the bill authorizing the county court of Multnomah county to lease the upper deck of the steel bridge across the Willamette were concurred in. The amendment to the fish bill gives the power of appointing a fish commissioner to the governor instead of leaving it with the legislature. This means the continuance in office of H. D. McGuire, the present incumbent, who is a Democrat. The amendment clause was part of the original bill, but was chopped off in the house. Concurrence by the house indicates a change of sentiment.

The general appropriation bill was passed by a vote of 40 to 17, there being three absentees, Hawson, McCulloch and Palmer. Whitney and Topping were the principal opponents.

Williamson's bill to facilitate the settlement of estates of decedents by permitting the mortgaging of property with the consent of the county court, was passed.

Senator Mitchell's bill establishing a rule of pleadings and evidence in arson cases, although vigorously opposed by Stillman, was also passed.

An effort was made to put Senator Mackay's pilotage bill on final passage, but it was defeated, and the bill was made the special order of business for tomorrow at 10:30. Friends and enemies of the bill were out in full force. The majority report of the committee on commerce is favorable to the bill, but Curtis gave notice that he would have a minority report ready.

The house concurred in the senate

CUT DOWN IN THE SENATE.

General Appropriation Bill Reduced $45,000—Important Amendments.

The senate spent most of the day Friday in committee of the whole considering the general appropriation bill, which was transmitted from the house the first thing in the morning. The committee did not finish its work until late in the evening, and its report was ratified in a hurry by the senate and the bill passed on so that the house could consider the senate amendments, which cut the total bill down by about $45,000.

The bill was agreed to as it came from the committee, allowing pay for only five days for the members of the house that failed to organize. The house had amended the bill so as to allow pay for the full 40 days, raising the appropriation from $31,000 to $38,000.

The expense claim of the board of equalization was reduced from $7,750 to $4,450, and the Ashland normal school appropriation of $15,000 and the item of $1,080 for repair of the capitol building were stricken out.

Proceedings in Detail.

Brownell offered an amendment to the resolution offered by him yesterday in reference to Secretary of State Kincaid's biennial report and providing for the printing of 500 copies of the same for himself, after eliminating all but the history contained therein. It was adopted

The committee on revision of laws reported upon the message of the governor on his appointments for the past two years, ratifying all except that of J. P. Robertson as trustee of the Oregon Soldiers' Home. The report was adopted.

By consent Brownell called up Williamson's bill facilitating the settlement of estates, which was passed.

The special committee on state printing reported on an exhaustive investigation of the conditon of the department. The report was adopted.

The house concurrent resolution appropriating $500 to George T. Meyers for services rendered on the Oregon commission at the world's fair was tabled.

Courtesies of the senate were extended to Hon. N. L. Butler, of Polk county.

The senate spent the entire night session in the consideration of the general appropriation bill.

In the afternoon the claim of Captain John Mullan and Indian war claims for the state, was knocked out. The claim of F. V. Drake for $340.93 for legal services for the secretary of state was also stricken out, and the claim of John Hall for $6,696.09 for legal services in recovering taxes was reduced to $500. Senator Simon was the principal objector to these claims. W. T. Wright's claim for $35,000 went through, but not without a struggle, Fulton, Smith and Taylor advocating the justice of the claim, and Haynes, Kelley, Driver and Selling leading the opposition.

In the House.

The feature of the proceedings in the house Friday morning was the indefinited postponement of Senator Mackay's pilotage bill. The bill had been made a special order of business for 10:30, and when the hour arrived a flood of oratory was turned loose in opposition to its passage. A motion to indefinitely postpone was carried by a vote of 27 to 24; absentees, 9.

Curtis offered a resolution, which was adopted, authorizing the secretary of state to draw a warrant in the sum of $500 in favor of George T. Myers, as a testimonial for his services as world's fair commissioner. The testimonial was authorized by the legislature of 1895.

The committee on elections, having under investigation the contested seats from Clackamas and Polk counties, was given until next session to report.

The committee on investigating the affairs of the insane asylum also asked for and was granted an extension of time to report until the next regular session.

The senate bill fixing the time of holding court in the sixth judicial district was passed.

A joint senate memorial petitioning congress to grant pensions to survivors of the Cayuse wars was concurred in.

A message was received from the governor announcing the signing of the bill amending the charter of Sodaville, and Whalley's bill regulating loan societies.

The house held but a short session in the afternoon, and although several bills came up, only one was passed.

Senator Mulkey's bill incorporating the town of Monmouth, having been reported back favorably by the Polk county delegation, was passed without opposition.

Senator Michell's bill to protect hotel and boarding-house keepers, after being buffeted about for a time with motions to place it on final passage, postpone indefinitely, etc., was finally referred to the committee on penal, reformatory and charitable institutions.

Resolutions were adopted favoring the drawing of a warrant in favor of Ella R. Hays, widow of R. R. Hays, deceased, clerk of the Benson house, for services, and providing for the pay of committee clerks who served before they were sworn in.

A resolution was introduced requiring members, when the legislature adjourns, to leave the desks and chairs for the use of the next session, but a vote was not insisted upon.

The house bills reported back favorably by the committee to which they had been referred were: Massingill's bill to prevent expiration of taxes by limitation, and the bills of Bayer and Ross amending Hill's code. Stillman's bill, providing for the keeping up of upper berths of sleeping cars when only the lower births are occupied, was reported on adversely. An adverse report was also rendered on Flagg's bill providing for the consolidation of the schools for the deaf and blind, with the recommendation, however, that a joint committee be appointed to investigate the feasibility of the consolidation and report at the next session.

The house reconvened at 7:30, and resumed business, taking up the consideration of Senator Adam's bill authorizing school districts to incur indebtedness for the purpose of building schools. A motion to refer to the committee on education was lost, and the bill was passed. This bill obviates the necessity of districts issuing 10-year bonds, as required under the pres-

THE SESSION ENDED.

The Appropriation Bill Passed, But a Conference Was Necessary to Settle Differences.

The special session of the Oregon legislature came to an end Saturday evening at 6:30 o'clock.

The general appropriation bill was the subject of sharp contention, and for a time the prospect seemed good for a deadlock upon it.

At this stage a conference committee was agreed upon, and it took up the matter of harmonizing the differences so as to be acceptable to the two houses. After more than an hour of hard work the committee reported and the report was adopted in both houses without debate or question.

By the amendments of the conference committee, $3,310 were added to the appropriations in sundry small items, concerning which there was no dispute, and $32,237.75 was stricken out, leaving the total of the bill about $1,222,000. This is about $100,000 less than the appropriation bill passed in 1895, and there is included in it a large amount of interest and all the expenses of the attempted session of 1897, including full pay for the members. One section was added to the bill directing that the state printer should not hereafter print for the agricultural societies, etc., to an extent that would cost more than the appropriations should previously have been made for the purpose.

In the Senate.

After the senate had concurred in the house resolution to publish and distribute 1,000 copies of the fish and game laws of the state, President Joseph Simon tendered his formal resignation as presiding officer, which was accepted.

T. C. Taylor was elected to fill the vacancy.

A resolution was offered to make the present staff of the senate permanent, but it was defeated.

The house bill providing for a sugar-beet bounty in the state was called up by Senator Smith, read the first time by title, and upon motion of Reed indefinitely postponed.

The house bill relating to the boundaries of Wallowa and Union counties passed.

House concurrent resolution No. 22, providing for an extension of time for the joint committee to expert the penitentiary books and accounts to the regular session, was next taken up. A substitute was offered by Fulton, barring any work or expense between sessions on the part of this or any committee unless authorized; carried.

The Curtis sturgeon protection bill was next taken up and passed.

The senate concurrent resolution by Mulkey, providing that a committee be appointed to examine the books of the state secretary, state treasurer and insane asylum, be continued to the regular session, without expense between sessions, was adopted.

The Salem charter bill was taken up, and, after some discussion, passed.

The committee on municipal corporations reported back the house bill regulating the manner of constructing openings of public buildings, with a penal amendment. The amendment was adopted, the bill read a third time and passed.

The committee on education reported Topping's house bill, providing for disposition of teachers' examinations, with amendments, and the same was adopted. The bill then passed.

A resolution was passed extending the thanks of the senate to Senator Taylor for his efficient service as chairman of the ways and means committee.

The senate took a recess till 6:15, awaiting the return of the governor to sign the general appropriation bill, and at 6:20 adjourned sine die.

The House.

The house, after passing a number of resolutions, put in two hours Saturday morning in consideration of senate amendments to the appropriation bill.

Resolutions were adopted authorizing the secretary of state to have published 1,000 copies of the state fish laws for the benefit of fishermen, and recommending the continuance in office at the next session of all the officers of the house.

The senate amendment to Stanley's bill providing for reimbursement of contributors to the Omaha exposition fund reducing the appropriation from $18,000 to $15,000 was adopted.

After the noon recess another recess of two hours was taken to give the conference committee on the appropriation bill time to report.

The appropriation for the cost of the last legislature caused over an hour's discussion in the conference committee.

The amendment reducing the claim for salaries and expenses of the board of railroad commissioners from $21,052.87 to $18,000 was concurred in, after amending by adding $900. The amendment striking out the $15,000 appropriation for the Ashland normal school was not concurred in nor the amendment reducing the claim of John Hall to $500.

The amendment striking out the claim of Captain John Mullan of $10,540.86 for the purpose of giving the special committee an opportunity to investigate and report at the next session was concurred in.

When received the report was adopted without discussion.

The senate reported back as passed with amendments the house bill requiring the doors of public buildings to open outward and Topping's bill for the disposition of teachers' examination papers, also amended. A penalty was attached to the former bill, and the time in which examination papers shall be destroyed after examinations in the latter bill was extended from one to three years. Both amendments were adopted.

The house did not adjourn till nearly 6 o'clock.

Before adjourning Speaker Carter announced the appointment of the following as members of committees:

Investigation of extravagances in the matter of clerk hire—Williamson and Stillman.

Investigation of cost of school books—Marsh, Nichols and Stewart.

Arrangement for the celebration of the 40th anniversary of the admission of Oregon as a state—Ross, Cummings and Grace.

Investigation of the management of the Soldiers' Home, at Roseburg—Max-

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Dewey's Expenses.

Admiral Dewey's expenditures in powder and shell to sink the Spanish fleet at Manila, according to his own official report, was about $45,000. The cost for the same item in disposing of Admiral Cervera's fleet off Santiago is between $90,000 and $100,000. Experts regard the figures in both cases as surprisingly low.

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Shawl for an Empress.

One of the most wonderful shawls in existence is a woolen wrap presented as a wedding gift to the empress of Russia by women of Orenburg, a town in the southeastern part of the empire. When spread out it is 10 yards square, but is so exquisitely fine that it may be passed through a finger ring, and when folded makes a parcel a few inches square.

FROM ABROAD.

Smoking was not permitted in England railway carriages until 1846.

In some parts of Norway corn is still used as a substitute for coin.

There are 27 royal families in Europe, two-thirds of which are of German origin.

It is said that the first weeping willow in England was planted by Alexander Pope, the poet.

The cartmen who haul sand to Rome for builders work 19 hours a day for 35 cents, and sleep in the stables with their mules.

As an effect of the South Wales coal strike, the Great Western railway has sustained a direct loss upon a carriage of minerals of £138,000.

No restaurant in St. Petersburg is allowed to have its bill of fare exclusively in a foreign language. By a recent edict a Russian version must always be added.

There are 400,000,000 people in the British empire, and the queen would have to live another 70 years to enable her to see all of them pass before her, if marching night and day for all that time.

A recent report issued in Germany says that 3,574,501 hectoliters of beer were absorbed in Berlin in 1897, "so that each inhabitant drank 206 liters." In 1892 the average consumption was 169 liters.

The system of vaccination is so perfect in the German army that smallpox has been reduced to six cases annually. All recruits are re-vaccinated, and there must be at least ten punctures in each arm.

It is stated that Turkey lost less than 1,000 men in battle in the Greek war, but 19,000 died in Thessaly of disease and 22,000 were sent home invalided and of the latter 8,000 subsequently died. Among the dead were 17 army officers.

Why Teeth Decay.

The question to what extent the alkaline earth salts in drinking water affect the decay (caries) of teeth has of late been studied in several quarters. Statistics have been collected by Rese in several localities in Bavaria and by Foerberg, in Sweden. These have revealed the interesting fact that the extent of decaying teeth bears a definite relation to the hardness of the water; in other words, to the quantity of calcium and magnesium salts in the earth through which the water passes. The harder the water the better the teeth; the smaller the quantity of these salts the greater the decay of the teeth.—Sudd. Ap. Zeitung.

A Remarkable Plant.

A flower known as the laughing plant, which grows in Arabia, is so called because its seeds produce effects like those produced by laughing gas. The flowers are of a bright yellow, while the seeds resemble small black beans.

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Women and the Wheel.

From the Gazette, Delaware, Ohio.

The healthfulness of bicycle riding for women is still a disputed question between eminent physicians and health reformers.

Used in moderation it surely creates for women a means of out-door exercise, the benefit of which all physicians concede. Used to excess, like any other pastime, its effect is likely to be dangerous.

The experience of Miss Bertha Reed, the 17-year-old daughter of Mr. J. R. Reed, 835 Lake street, Delaware, O., may point a moral for parents who, like Mr. and Mrs. Reed, have experienced some concern for their daughters who are fond of wheeling. In the fall of '96 Miss Bertha, who had ridden a great deal, began to fall in an alarming manner. She grew steadily paler and thinner, and it appeared she was going into consumption. Rest and quiet did her absolutely no good. A physician found her pulse at 104—a very high rate. Thinking this may

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have been due to temporary nervousness when he examined her, he watched her closely, but her pulse continued at that rate for two weeks. He was satisfied then, from her high pulse and steadily wasting condition that she was suffering from anaemia or a bloodless condition of the body. She became extremely weak, and could not stand the least noise or excitement. In this condition of affairs they were recommended by an old friend to get some of that famous blood medicine, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. They did so, and almost from the first dose Bertha began to improve. She continued to take the pills and was by means of those pills made entirely well, and more grateful people than her parents cannot be found in the whole state of Ohio.

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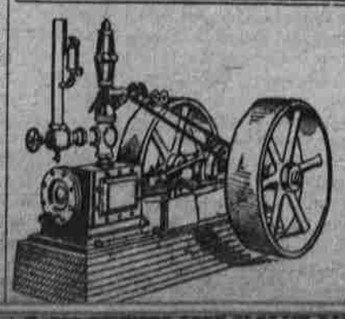

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