

BOZEMAN'S BIG PLUM.

The Senate Decides to Locate the Agricultural College at That City.

The Upper House Also Passes the Bill Placing the University at Missoula.

Bear Paw to Be Called Blaine and Bitter Root to Be Named Havall County.

Another of the state institution bills was taken up in the senate yesterday in committee of the whole, debated all day, formally reported without a single amendment, and the report afterward adopted.

The university bill was read a third time and passed by the senate with but two votes against it.

The joint assembly was devoid of any special feature, the vote being virtually the same as on Tuesday.

The house got through quite a lot of business during the day. Two new county bills were advanced somewhat. That for Bear Paw was reported favorably from committee with the name changed to Blaine county, and that for Bitter Root county was amended on its third reading so as to name it Havall, after the pioneer priest of that region.

THE SENATE.

The Bill Locating the Agricultural College at Bozeman in the Senate.

The senate held two sessions again yesterday, and they both were devoted to the consideration of Senator Hoffman's bill locating the agricultural college at Bozeman.

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THE HOUSE.

Changing the Names of Some of the New Counties and Other Business.

The Bear Paw County bill was reported favorably from the committee on towns, counties and highways in the house yesterday with the name of the new county changed to Blaine.

As higher education in general, I feel we are all in favor of it. It was the object of the Morrill bill to establish schools where higher education can be obtained, not only in a university, but in schools of mines and colleges of agriculture.

At this point the committee rose and the senate went into joint session with the house. At the afternoon session the bill was again taken up in committee of the whole, and Senator Goddard continued his address.

Senator Hoffman replied, saying he did not wish to do any injustice to any member of the senate or of the legislative assembly, and he hoped he was mistaken when he said that the deal to divide up these institutions had been ripe for two years.

Senator Hoffman said he was opposed to putting off a settlement of the question of the location of the college of agriculture for a single day. "By our negligence," he said, "two years ago, we have lost \$10,000 for this college."

Senator Hoffman closed the debate by urging the immediate location of the agricultural college in order to gain the advantage accruing from the national appropriation for such schools.

The amendment to postpone consideration was defeated, and the bill ordered favorably reported.

When the senate reconvened the bill was taken up, and Folsom moved to amend by substituting Missoula for Bozeman. It was defeated, there being but three votes in the affirmative.

and by unanimous consent Fitzgerald was allowed to offer an amendment changing the name of Havall county. The bill was then sent to the engrossing committee to be prepared for final passage.

The house bill fixing the per diem of members of the legislature at \$8 and mileage at 20 cents a mile, caused some discussion in committee of the whole.

The senate amendments to the bill were taken up in the afternoon session, and the bill was ordered favorably reported.

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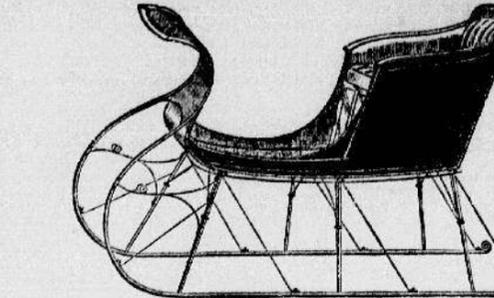
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