

LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

The senate went on record today as favoring the repeal of the entire good road law of the state, and agreed to a bill doing that very thing, and further appointed a committee of three senators: Roberts, Davis and Harrison, for the investigation of the present conditions and methods of disbursement of funds of the office of the state engineer. At all times during the debate was it kept clear that the present incumbent was not to blame, but that the system under which the office was conducted should be improved. Wood of Maricopa, submitted facts and figures secured from the office of the engineer and treasurer showing in detail the disbursements of the funds.

Yavapai Got Hers.

"I notice," declared the Maricopa county senator, "that Yavapai county has had the lion's share of the state road expenditure and much of the work, having in mind the Silver Mountain road, is of anything but of general benefit."

Cunniff Was Indignant.

Cunniff was on his feet in a hurry to defend Yavapai and insisted that the road work in his county, much of it, had "been forced down the throat of Yavapai county," and that he openly was indignant over the situation. The Maricopa senator set the senate laughing by remarking, that it was too bad Yavapai's indignation did not become more acute just prior to the expenditure of the great sum charged to that county on the records of the engineer's office.

By a vote of 13 to 5 the bill was ordered engrossed.

Reform School Bill Signed.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 16.—Governor Hunt today signed a bill for the creation of the Benson Reform School Site commission and at once took up the work of securing the three commissioners provided for by the law. At a late hour tonight he was still hopeful of receiving answers to telegrams he had caused to be sent, offering appointments when he will make his announcement of the names of his choice. One of the appointments was offered to Morris Goldwater of Prescott, but that gentleman, on account of business could not accept. It is the governor's desire to secure men that are interested, on it and doing what is best for the Benson school and not advocates of any particular site for the institution.

House Doing Business.

The house, during the morning session disposed of by passing the bills for transfer of the insurance business of both surety, life and fire companies to the corporation commission form the secretary of state and governor's office, and also passed the bill permitting the killing of five head of cattle for sale without a license. They also adopted a resolution inviting La Follette to address the legislature should he visit the state. In the afternoon the entire time was taken up with a bill providing a new method for the forming of corporations, which was finally agreed to and ordered prepared for final action.

Governor's Mansion Proposed.

Kane of Greenlee, introduced a bill to provide for a governor's mansion and site, and an appropriation of \$15,000 for the purchase of the same. The board is to consist of three members and a site is under consideration in front of the capitol grounds.

Recall Conference.

The senate named its members for the conference committee on the recall measure, two of which committee, Kinney, Roberts and Wessel, were members of the Constitutional convention and known to be strong advocates of the recall as first written into the constitution. The conference will be held tomorrow morning and great interest is taken in the outcome.

Code Commission Discussion.

The code commissioner bill was finally whipped into shape and agreed to after an effort which was unsuccessful was made to strike from the bill that clause providing that the assistants, if any are required or used by the commissioner should be of opposite political faith to that of the commissioner. The senate also agreed to a bill providing for a more strict examination for tuberculosis of applicants for positions in schools as teachers and principals.

Free School Books.

In committee meetings tonight it was practically agreed that the bills providing for the compulsory in-

vestment of insurance collections would fail of passage; that a uniform and free text book bill would pass, and that the Kinney bill, for English-speaking miners would be submitted to a vote of the people. In connection with the free text book bill, Roberts of Cochise, who was a strong advocate of the same, declared he was charged with being a Socialist and was willing to have the word go broadcast that he was, at any rate, he was Socialist enough to have the state buy and pay for school books for the education of the children of the state.

Fraud Hinted.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 16.—The senate adopted a resolution to investigate the expenditures of the old territorial engineer's office in relation to road building. It is claimed the money did not all go into roads. The senate and the house named a joint committee to try to effect an agreement on the recall. The house passed a bill that no tuberculosis sufferers should be employed as school teachers.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 17.—It was discovered tonight at a meeting of the finance committee that the entire plan of creating a state board of equalization would inadequately cover the ground desired, and that revenue raising bills will have to be prepared and introduced. Wood of Maricopa, made the discovery and the members of the committee are dividing their time between congratulating themselves that the situation was discovered in time to be corrected and fixing the blame for the situation they are confronted with. It is the desire to create a board that would have power to fix property values of transportation, telephone, telegraph and express companies, public service corporations and producing mines, their valuation to stand, and the valuation figures for city and county tax boards as well as state.

Bullard Is Blamed.

They explained their idea to Attorney General Bullard, and he drew a bill which he afterward not only approved as to form, but it is said, told the committee he could successfully enforce. The idea was to create and the bill drawn did create, a state board of equalization.

Constitution Was Forgotten.

It now develops that the state constitution calls for a state board of equalization but that board is limited to the adjustment and equalization of value of real and personal property only among several counties of the state. To county boards of equalization under the constitution is left the duty of adjustment and the equalization of values of property within the several counties. To get around the difficulties the committee will prepare, it is said, a bill for a state tax board consisting of three members and having powers originally proposed to be given to the state board of equalization. The several taxation bills will also be amended, providing for reports to be made to the tax commission in the place of the board of equalization. The only damage resulting from the mix-up is the loss of time but time now is precious. It is not known if the advice of the attorney general will be asked in framing of the new taxation bill.

New Bills Cut Off.

It is now understood that no new bills will be received in the senate after next Monday, except by unanimous consent or introduced by committee. Spread of this news brought a flood of news bills today. Irvine of Maricopa, had a bill prohibiting houses of prostitution within two miles of incorporated cities; Johnson had bill regulating the licenses of butchers; Kelton of Cochise, two bills amending the printing laws; and Lewis three bills, one for free lunches for school children, a second to prevent accidents in underground construction, and third to create the office of state electrical inspector.

Compulsory Investment.

In the house, the compulsory investment for insurance companies was reported against passage by the committee and the committee of the whole acted favorably on bills fixing the hours of electrical workers, raising the salary of the chaplain for the state prison to \$300 yearly and a bill providing for the revocation of the license of foreign corporations transferring litigation from the state to the federal courts.

Six Months' Divorce.

The six months' divorce legislation was taboed for this session by

the action of the senate committee of the whole recommending that the bill do not pass, while favorable action was taken on the bill making it a crime to overdraw a bank account where the intent is to defraud; a bill naming the bonds of the various state officers and providing for the state to pay for such, and the holiday bill. In connection with the consideration of the latter there was much fun made by suggesting various possible holidays the bill had overlooked, there being a long list created by the bill.

Certain Contracts Void.

The bill to regulate the assignment of wages was killed, while approval was given to the bills against giving of gratuities to straw bosses for employment, and a bill making void any contract signed by an employee relinquishing his right to sue his employer for damages sustained through his employment.

Cobb Nominated.

The governor today sent to the senate the nomination of Lamar Cobb to be state engineer. As a bill to abolish that office is before the appropriation committee the nomination was thus referred.

Reform School Site.

It is said that Governor Hunt is having difficulty to find men to serve on the reform school site commission. Tonight he has but two men selected.

Divorce Bill Killed.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 17.—A bill proposing an eight-hour day for women was indefinitely postponed to make place for the substitute of nine hours. The divorce bill requiring six months' residence was defeated in the senate, likewise the bill to restrict the assignment of salaries. The house passed the bill limiting the size of trains.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 18.—Governor Hunt today named as members of the Benson Reform School Site commission, L. F. Vaughn, editor of the Duncan Arizonan, of Duncan; John T. Dunlap, real estate broker, of Phoenix, and Judge John J. Hawkins, of Prescott. The commission will meet in Phoenix to organize and leave on the night train for Benson.

Legislature Quiet.

Today was a quiet day with Arizona's lawmakers, little of importance transpiring that was part of the record. The house finally disposed of by indefinitely postponing the bill requiring insurance companies to invest part of their resources in Arizona securities. A similar measure is now before the senate, but the action by the house is a fair forecast of what the senate will do and accordingly the insurance men are tonight jubilant. The senate labor committee this afternoon agreed to a report on the Kinney bill for English-speaking miners, a majority of committee recommending that the bill do pass providing that the senate attach to the bill a provision for the submission of the question at the next general election. Senator Breen, of the committee has prepared a minority report to the effect that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Majority Report Popular.

It is said the majority report is popular with the senate and that the bill amended as suggested will be passed and ultimately sent to the house. There has been strong protests against the passage of the bill in any shape submitted to the senate coming from the Mexican citizenship of the state and from the Socialist organization with which is affiliated many of the Mexican miners of various camps.

State Purchasing Agent.

Three new bills were introduced in the senate, one by Wessel which creates the office of state purchasing agent; by Lovin, providing for a San Francisco Fair board of commissioners, and by Worsley providing for the protection of laborers in the matter of the settlement of wages, requiring employers to pay the men within five days after their wages are due and for all days intervening from the time their employment ceases until the payment is made.

PHOENIX, April 19.—Mine and water legislation, San Diego and San Francisco expositions, politics and Missourians, barbers and deaf and dumb and blind made up today's legislative program. There was little oratory and more work than on any previous day of the session although the volume of completed business was small.

La Follette Invited.

Immediately after convening in the morning the senate took up and passed a resolution which Crofoot had safely guided through the house of a standing invitation to Mr. La Follette to visit the legislature on the occasion of his trip west and make an address. There was no

opposition to the resolution and it carried unanimously.

Exposition Commissioners.

Later the exposition resolutions were called up by a communication from the governor transmitting a request from the Frisco fair that Arizona send representatives to Frisco on May 7, to pick out a building site. The house had already passed a resolution creating a San Diego board of commissioners, so the Frisco board bill was proposed and offered and under a suspension of the rules passed out of its place on the calendar. The San Diego resolution was then passed and sent to the governor. The executive will, it is said, name the commission the early part of next week.

Labor Bills.

Senate labor committee made a report including favorable action on the Bradner railroad bills, and a divided report on the Kinney bill for English speaking miners. The majority report favored the passage of the bill with the referendum clause attached, providing for the submission of the question to a vote of the people at the next general election. Four members signed the report while Breen offered a minority report that the bill do not pass. When it was ascertained that the bill had not been amended by the committee by attaching the referendum clause, it was re-committed, and will be reported during the coming week.

No Sunday Closing.

The senate labor committee also reported favorably the eight-hour law for smelter men and unfavorably the bill for Sunday closing of barber shops. On the last measure, there was a minority report recommending that the bill do pass. The committee on education recommended the bill for the education by the state of the deaf and dumb and blind do pass.

The Corporation Law.

The house passed by a close vote the corporation law providing for the right to revoke the license to do business in the state of foreign corporations transferring from the state to the federal courts any litigation. The final vote was 18 ayes, and 14 nays, with three absent. A similar measure was passed by the senate indicating that the bill will ultimately be sent to the governor.

Cary Act.

The afternoon session of the house lasted four hours, and with the exception of fifteen minutes consumed by the final passage of a bill limiting the hours of employment in electric plants the entire time was spent in the consideration of the Drennen bill applying the provisions of the Carey national irrigation act to Arizona.

Irrigation Scheme.

According to the author of the bill, a measure was introduced in order that the Greeley-Arizona irrigation company might purchase from the federal government all the lands now embraced in the Parker Indian reservation of the Colorado river, with the object of building a diversion dam on the Colorado near the town of Parker, and after the completion of the irrigation system, throw the lands open to settlers.

Trust Ownership Feared.

There was considerable objection to the bill from various members, on the grounds that it would eventually result in two or three irrigation companies owning all the land. Friends of the bill talked long and ardently in an effort to dispel this belief and that they succeeded was demonstrated when, at 5 o'clock the committee of the whole arose and recommended that the bill do pass after three minor amendments had been made.

The Missouri Picnic.

The house adjourned over to Monday, but the senate will hold a short morning session and then take an adjournment over to Monday. At noon they will attend the annual picnic of the Missouri State Society which tendered to them an invitation through C. B. Wood, an earnest Missourian.

Labor Bills Considered.

PHOENIX, April 19.—The Kinney measure prohibiting the employment in hazardous occupations of those not speaking English was recommended for submission to the people by the senate labor committee. The house passed a bill for a six-hour day underground where temperature is 105, or 110 overground.

(Continued on Page 8.)

LOOKING OVER COUNTRY

(From Saturday's Daily.)

D. W. Halsted, a chair manufacturer of Milwaukee, Wis., arrived in the city a few days ago from Sonora, Mexico, and is en route home, leaving today. He is at the Congress house, and gives a vivid account of the uprising, with the warning to Americans to keep on this side of the line.

SUPERIOR COURT HANDLES MUCH BUSINESS

Probate Matters Being Of the Greatest Importance

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Mrs. Ida Knott, a recent arrival in the city from Oregon, has received her freedom, after undergoing the ordeal of a legal entanglement that embraced several phases. Last Monday she was arrested on telegrams from the above state, for abandoning her husband on a criminal charge, and yesterday she appeared before the superior court with a petition for a writ of habeas corpus. This was denied and she was again remanded to the custody of the sheriff. Later in the day she appeared before Justice of the Peace McLane, and there being no evidence on which she could be held, that official ordered her release.

Further proceedings in the superior court yesterday was the filing of the suit of divorce of Mrs. Minnie Van Zandt against her husband, Edward B. Van Zandt, which will be heard next Tuesday.

Frank Fay was appointed by the court as administrator of the estate of Stokes Morrison, deceased.

The eighth annual account of R. P. Talbot as the guardian of the estate of Margaret Sarah Devine, a minor, was filed and accepted. He was charged with having received the sum of \$32,445.70, and credited with having paid out since the last settlement and from the income, the sum of \$7,111.60, on account of expenses of administration, medical services, taxes, insurance and other accounts, leaving a balance on hand of \$25,324.10. Of this sum \$708.27 is in cash, the remainder being in bonds, a house and lot in this city, and notes secured by mortgages on Prescott real estate, with other interests also, all valued at the sum of \$24,625.83.

McOMIE DEPLORES PASTURING GRAIN

(From Friday's Daily.)

L. A. Kehr, secretary of the Swastika Development company, operating the Silver Prince and Black Warrior mines in the Bradshaw mountains, stated yesterday that the eighth carload of silver ore would pass through Prescott en route to El Paso for treatment. The grade of this car is the highest yet shipped from which it is inferred the value of the car will run to over \$8000. When shipping commenced less than six months ago, the gross value of the first carload was close to \$8000, and since that time the lowest was over \$6000.

The greatest depth reached in the mine is less than 250 feet, and the values are coming from a drift run to the north. This old working produced the high grade ore over a quarter of a century ago, which brought the Prince and Warrior claims into national prominence, resulting in the two claims being sold for over \$125,000, with a depth of less than 80 feet on either. Their entry into the producing class after so many years of idleness, due to litigation primarily, is attracting the attention of mining men to that field, and forms an interesting chapter in the ups and downs of that mine.

The Swastika has produced in the past seven months over \$50,000 it is said, under a nominal expense, and the field adjacent is again coming into prominence by many old mines being revived.

REYNOLDS SELLS RANCH LANDS AT DEWEY

(From Thursday's Daily.)

It was reported yesterday that T. H. Reynolds had disposed of his 320 acres of farming land near Dewey to a resident of San Diego, and beside a cash consideration has acquired four improved lots in the above city. Mr. Reynolds will transfer the property in a few days, and with his wife will leave for their new home. The land is valuable and in the past three years has been placed in a high state of cultivation with many improvements made.

Unadvertised things are sold — sometimes. Journal-Miner want ads will sell them quickly.

GRIM REAPER IS VICTOR OVER W.C. BEATTY

Remains Will be Taken To Sleep in Old Home Burial Grounds

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Wyman C. Beatty passed away at 11:30 last night in the city from a complication of diseases of long standing. He was attended to the last by his faithful mother who had traveled with him to many parts of the country in an effort to alleviate his suffering and cure his maladies. He was aged 29 years and was a great favorite of all who knew him, and was an uncomplaining sufferer. His sister who lives in Los Angeles, will arrive today and together with the sorrowing mother, will accompany the remains to the old home at Litchfield, Ill. The remains are being prepared for shipment by H. M. Maus & Co., at whose undertaking parlors an opportunity will be given friends and acquaintances to view the remains. Genuine sympathy is expressed for the bereaved relatives.

AUTO CLUB HOLDS IMPORTANT MEET

(From Thursday's Daily.)

By far the most important meeting ever held by the Prescott Auto Club was that called Saturday night, by Paul Burks, its new president. A large attendance of members enthusiastically discussed plans for redoubling the efforts of the club in 1911 and many very important measures were outlined and put in train for accomplishment in the very near future.

A resolution, expressing to the board of supervisors of Yavapai county the desire of the club that a road be extended from Prescott northwest to Kingman, passed unanimously. Letter of B. L. Graves, Ford manager for Southern California, stated that the road to the Needles was in negotiable condition and that the writer had experienced no real trouble until he got into California. Mr. Graves thinks that a road westward from Kingman to Needles will surely form a link in the Transcontinental highway, and that soon.

Invitation of Don Senor Patterson for a run over the Ash Fork road and a barbecue at Cathedral Cave, Decoration day, Thursday, May 30, was accepted and referred to road committee with power to complete arrangements. Ladies will enjoy this holiday jaunt, the males to repair such portions of the road as present obstacles to auto tourists.

Providing that the expense will not be more than \$125 and that permission be granted for use outside the city limits, the club decided to offer to go in with the city council in the purchase of an adequate road grader. A committee, composed of F. W. Foster, J. C. Stephens and T. G. Norris, was appointed to bring this matter properly before the city fathers.

A vote of thanks was tendered the city council and its clerk, John H. Robinson, for their recent action in dragging city streets. Mr. Robinson was made an honorary member of the Prescott Auto Club by a unanimous vote.

For the thirty days following April 15, it was decided that eligible persons can become members of the club upon payment of \$5 initiation fee and \$10 dues, payable semi-annually in advance. After May 15, this opportunity will be withdrawn and \$10 will be required for initiation. The yearly dues dating from January 1, 1912, were changed from \$12 to \$10, payable semi-annually in advance.

UNDER FULL SWING

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The last engineer corps of the Arizona Land and Irrigation company left the city yesterday morning for the field near the site of the big dam on Willow Creek, in charge of Assistant Engineer Bodie. Four camps are now established, all heading from the Point of Rocks toward the site of the diversion dam at Whipple and to Lynx Creek, where the smaller dam is to be built. Topographic work is being done together with the re-sectioning of the tract. The force is fifty men and about two months will be required to complete the work.