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KANSAS SOLONS.

POPULIST SENATE WRESTLES WITH MATTERS LEGISLATIVE.

HOT TALK ON POSTAGE STAMPS.

POPS INSIST UPON THE ALLOWANCE BEING PAID IN CASH.

LEWELLING'S GRAVE MISTAKE.

HE APPOINTS A DEAD MAN AS POLICE COMMISSIONER.

Debate Upon the Anti-Lottery Bill—Lewelling Makes Unusual Appointment—The Usual Flood of Bills in the House—Notes.

Topoka, Kan., Jan. 11.—(Special.) When the order of introduction of bills was reached after the usual preliminaries, the following named senators presented bills:

Brown—To provide free text books for the public schools; relating to the responsibility of railroads for injury to person; to protect the prairies from fire, and to construct ponds (by request); relating to culverts over irrigating ditches; relating to duties and salaries of county officers.

O'Bryan—Creating lots in and addition to the townsite of Wichita; in relief of Harvey Parks of Sedgewick county; to regulate corporations.

Shaw—To prevent docking weight of hogs in yards; to increase powers of the board of railroad commissioners and provide for public warehouses for the weight and reception of grain.

Unner—Providing for free text books at stationery in schools; as to qualifications for teachers' certificates; prohibiting the use of tobacco in any form by children under 16 years of age.

Fourney—To change the boundaries of Belle Plaine, Sumner county; fees and salaries in Sumner county.

Morgan—To prohibit pooling of rates between insurance companies.

Parker—Fixing compensation of sheriffs; conferring powers of probate court on district courts; prohibiting the obstruction of highways.

Taylor—In the matter of condemning streets and alleys for public use in cities of the first class; regulating the powers of county commissioners; fixing the pay of judges and clerks in district courts.

Scott—Declaring an emergency and providing for certain protection to production of natural gas; defining criminal provisions.

Robbins—As to functions of probate courts; creating a board of survey to prospect for coal and artesian water.

Cook—Relating to the engraving and enrolling of bills.

A message was received from the governor announcing the appointment of certain officers, as follows:

For superintendent of insurance, S. H. Snider, of Klamman, for the term ending July 1, 1895.

For commissioners of Greenwood county, live stock sanitary commission, term expiring March 26.

For Van Voorhis, of Douglas county, manager state soldiers' home, term ending July 3, 1895.

S. M. Scott, of Lyon county, member of board of public works, term ending April 1, 1895.

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