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IMPORTANT MEASURES EXPECTED TO APPEAR

Consolidation and Income Tax Bills Occupy Attention of Legislature.

Salem.—The legislature began the third week of the session with all the big constructive legislation yet to receive attention. However, it is expected a start will be made this week in shaping important measures of state-wide interest, inasmuch as two consolidation and several income tax bills have been offered. These two subjects promise to engross the attention of the legislature during the ensuing weeks of the session.

Two bills providing for the consolidation of state departments and commissions are now before the senate. One offered by Senator Hall provides for four departments of the state government, while the other, sponsored by Senator Johnson and Representative Carlin, would segregate the state's activities into six departments. The merits of these measures will be discussed at public hearings this week by the committee on county and state officers.

Income Tax Favored.

Four measures providing for a state income tax have been prepared for consideration by the lawmakers. While in past sessions income tax bills have received scant consideration, there seems to be a strong sentiment among members of the present legislature in favor of adopting this method of raising revenue. If no income tax measure is passed it will be due to the fact that senators and representatives were unable to agree on details.

The income tax bills at present in evidence are:

The state grange bill, introduced by Representatives Bennett and Wheeler.

The administration bill, introduced by Representative McMahan of Linn.

The flat rate bill, prepared by the state tax investigating committee which probably will be offered as a bill from the committee on assessment and taxation.

The Kuhl bill, which offsets the income tax with property tax. The Kuhl measure may not be introduced.

While Governor Pierce admits he had Representative McMahan of Linn introduced his bill, the governor said he is not so closely wedded to it that he will not consider changes.

Would Consult Governor.

Representative McMahan of Marion county, just before the week-end adjournment, introduced a resolution providing for appointment of three members of the house to visit Governor Pierce and confer with him on specific measures which he wishes introduced and considered as means for relieving the financial burdens of the taxpayers of Oregon. The resolution sets forth that although many days of the session have passed away, but little real effort on this line has been made so far.

The senate, when it adjourned over Sunday, had 48 bills upon its calendar, the house 115, a record for both so far as the number of their offerings is concerned.

This week will probably see the introduction of the severance tax bill, sponsored by Governor Pierce, which will furnish undoubtedly plenty of oratory and excitement before it is finally disposed of.

The roads and highways program has not yet been determined, but reports indicate that there will be a large number of bills in this connection. These bills will strike at the present motor vehicle laws and may provide for increasing the motor vehicle tax. Limits of loads on the state highways also will be the subject of considerable legislation, it was said.

The senate, by an unanimous vote and without debate, adopted the Ellis senate memorial to the Interstate Commerce commission asking for the construction of railroads through Central and Southwestern Oregon, including the Natron cut-off.

Bill Hits Armed Bootleggers.

It is made a felony punishable by imprisonment in the penitentiary for a person to have a dangerous or deadly weapon on or about his person when engaged in making or when possessing intoxicating liquor by a bill passed by the senate.

The Moser bill providing for a thorough teaching of the Constitution of the United States and its history in public and private schools of the state from the eighth grade on, was enthusiastically approved by the senate.

Senator Zimmerman's concurrent resolution which would require all bills for introduction in the legislature to be filed with the secretary of state at least thirty days before the legislature meets, except budget bills, has aroused considerable interest.

The anti-sectarian garb bill, designed to prevent the wearing of costumes of religious orders by teachers in the public schools, which passed the house caused a split in the senate education committee. A majority of four members favoring enactment of the bill by striking out the penalty of fine and imprisonment and the minority, three, favoring allowing the penalty to remain.

Oregon Trail Bill Passed.

The first senate bill to pass the house was Senator Strayer's measure designating the east and west highway from the Pacific ocean to the Idaho line as the Oregon trail. This was recommended by both Governor Pierce and Governor Olcott, so there is no doubt as to its becoming a law.

Two of Representative Woodward's defeated in the house. One provided for dental inspection in schools and the other to extend the right of suffrage at school elections to all registered voters.

The agricultural bloc formed the nucleus for the opposition to the bills. No religious rancor entered into the discussion, but they were voted down primarily because they would increase expenses.

Representative Lewis' bill to prohibit the importation or transportation of wines for sacramental purposes was crushed by an overwhelming negative vote when the house indefinitely postponed it.

Party Change Regulated.

A bill by Representative Kuehn to prevent changes in registration from one party to another within 30 days of a primary election, passed the house with only slight opposition. Among the eight democrats in the house only two voted against the measure and there was but a scattering of republicans in opposition to it. The house also passed the bill introduced by Representative Hesse of Washington county, doing away with all the sections of the Oregon laws which provide for the taxation of all dogs within the state.

The speed cop who brings disrepute upon his community by making arrests simply in order that his own income may be increased through getting a percentage of the fines assessed, may become a thing of the past, if the senate approves a bill passed by the house. The measure prohibits the splitting of fines or payment of fees out of fines to officers making arrests for violation of the speed laws. It covers officers of any city or county and the state itself.

Under a joint house resolution introduced by Representatives Blowers and Jackson, a constitutional amendment would be submitted to the voters providing for the election of a lieutenant governor at the general state election at which a governor is elected, and meeting the same qualifications.

Medical Examination For Both Sexes.

Men and women applicants for marriage certificates would be required to pass both a physical and mental test under the terms of a bill introduced by Mrs. C. B. Simmons of Multnomah county. Failure to pass this examination would preclude the issuance of a marriage license unless one or both parties submitted to sterilization. The bill would require the mentality of at least a 12 year old child to permit granting of a certificate.

A proposed law that will have the support of the farm bloc in both houses has been introduced by Senator Brown of Marion county. This bill provides that producers of farm and agricultural products shall be exempted from the authority of any so-called peddlers' license law that may be imposed by any incorporated town or city in the state.

Election pamphlets would be done away with completely and newspaper publicity substituted in their place for the advertising of measures, amendments or candidates going before the people at an election through a bill introduced in the senate by Senator Tooez of Clackamas county.

Legislative Brevities.

The legislature visited the Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis in a body Wednesday.

Representative Schuermich's bill to make jury duty for women mandatory was indefinitely postponed on adverse committee report.

Payment of bounties on coyotes would be stopped entirely under the terms of a bill introduced into the senate under the sponsorship of Senator Ellis and Representative Lackey.

Representative Sherman Miles of Columbia county has introduced a bill requiring the licensing by the state of all hotels and restaurants.

Representative Ezell of Crook, Deschutes, Klamath, Jefferson and Lake counties, sponsored a bill requiring residence on irrigation projects as a prerequisite to participation in the district election.

Prohibiting by federal statute the issuance of tax-exempt securities is proposed in a memorial which received the unanimous support of the members of the senate.

Representatives of the legislatures of Washington, Idaho and California are invited to Salem to confer with Oregon legislators relative to income tax and gasoline tax legislation by a senate concurrent resolution which has been adopted in both houses.

Frank Van Patten of Ontario drove a new Ford truck for the Adrian lumber yard over here Saturday. Mr. Enos and family motored to Ontario with

him Sunday going on to Payette to visit relatives.

J. D. Gardner who has been on the sick list for the past week is reported better at this writing.

Mrs. Dollie McCreary was at Vale on business this week.

Holly Bros. have finished painting their ice house.

Mr. Bailey was in town on business one day this week.

Mrs. Geo. Cooley was visiting relatives in Adrian before going to Portland where they have decided to live.

Miss Elsie Elliot has been assisting at the D. T. Holly home as Mrs. Holly has been sick with a gripple.

Ray Elliot was a Vale visitor Tuesday.

Mr. Gruver and Bob Driscoll were looking after business interests at Wilder this week.

Mrs. Dollie McCreary went to Ontario Thursday.

Thos. McGivern received word that his sister, Mrs. F. J. Clemons was quite ill with an attack of appendicitis at her home in Ontario.

COUNTY STATISTICS

Malheur County Real Estate Transfers Recorded January 13th to January 20th.

Frank Ervington to Frank Golden, Lot 14, block 84, Ontario. 5-1-22. \$1.00.

Myrtle L. Petrie to Thos. W. Thurston, Metes and Bounds in Sec. 20-18-45. 1-8-23. \$10.00.

Oregon-Washington Railroad & Nav. Co. to Lee Steers et al, SW 1/4 SE 1/4, S 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 29; W 1/2 NW 1/4, NW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 32-20-39. 11-9-22. \$4,500.

U. S. A. to Nonnie Zink, Lots 3 and 4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 19; NE 1/4 NW 1/4, N 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 30-20-39. 12-29-22.

U. S. A. to Nonnie Zink, SE 1/4 NW 1/4, S 1/2 NE 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 19; W 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 20-20-39. 12-29-22.

Sheriff H. Lee Noe to H. L. Stanfield, undivided 1/2 interest in SW 1/4 Sec. 5-18-47. 1-6-23. \$6,360.21 (Cert. of redemption).

Sarah M. Kimm to Albert B. Cain, 10 acres in NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 8-18-47. 12-20-1920. \$1.00.

J. B. Bigelow to S. D. Bigelow et al, Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 Block 146 Ward's Add. to Nyssa. 1-18-23. \$1.

Ulices S. Yost et ux to Rocking R Land & Livestock Co., NW 1/4 NE 1/4, Sec. 25; SE 1/4 SW 1/4, SW 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec. 24-23-38. 7-25-22. \$1.00.

James C. Yost et ux to Rocking R Land & Livestock Co., E 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 13; E 1/2 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec. 24-23-38. 7-29-22. \$1.00.

G. W. Brainard et ux to T. Quinn River Bank, 3 tracts of land, metes and bounds, near McDermott along the state line. 1-6-22. \$10.

Malheur Land Co. to A. A. Dore, brava, Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 Block 43, Brogan. 3-14-22. \$1.

Joseph H. Marshall et ux to Geo. W. Smith, Lots 1, 2, 3, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, SE 1/4 NW 1/4, E 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 19-47. 12-21. \$10.

State of Oregon to Allen Johnson, W 1/2 Sec. 16-16-39. 11-8-22. \$60.

Harold W. Readon et al to Von Readon, NW 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 31-47. 8-27-21. \$10.

Edward H. Huffman et al to United States Investment Co., SW 1/4 Sec. 17-18-46. 11-16-22. \$1.

Marriage Licenses Issued.

Silas M. Hanson and Ada McTish. 1-17-23.

Complaints Filed in Circuit Court.

Eugene Brooks vs. Glen Brooks. 1-18-23. Divorce.

Earle F. Cranston vs. G. E. Stanfield. 1-20-23. Recovery on note. \$180.56.

E. F. Cranston vs. G. E. Stanfield. A. N. Ingle, and J. B. Adrian. 1-20-23. Recovery on note. \$3,250.

Earle F. Cranston vs. W. G. Jenkins. 1-20-23. Recovery on note. \$7,778.26.

Petitions Filed in County Court.

Ward Drainage District. 1-17-23.

Petitions Filed in Probate Court.

Guardianship of Rose Mildred Worley. 1-17-23.

Estate of W. A. Andres. 1-19-23.

KINGMAN COLONY

Mrs. Frank T. Morgan, Margaret and Ted arrived home Friday from Eugene, Or., where they have been visiting Mrs. Morgan's parents for several weeks.

Mrs. T. W. Mitchell of Nez Perce, Idaho, is the guest of Mrs. Conrad Martin for several days. Mrs. Mitchell is the head of the Pythian Sisters lodge in Idaho, and has been visiting the various chapters of the lodge in that state.

Mrs. M. M. Maxwell and Miss Corinne Maxwell returned Sunday from New Plymouth, where they visited Mrs. Maxwell's sister.

Mr. LaTouree of Emmett has visited his recently purchased Colony farm several times this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thompson of New Plymouth spent Sunday in the Edwards home.

Mr. Edwards is slowly recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Miss Homan spent the week end with her parents in Ontario.

The three months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Kimmelman has not been well this week. The Kimmelmans are still with Mr. and Mrs. Zeirelein.

Mrs. Zeirelein and Viola are making a slow recovery.

Mrs. Archie Moses suffered from a badly burned foot this week.

Nyssa Community Church

J. J. Fleming, Minister.

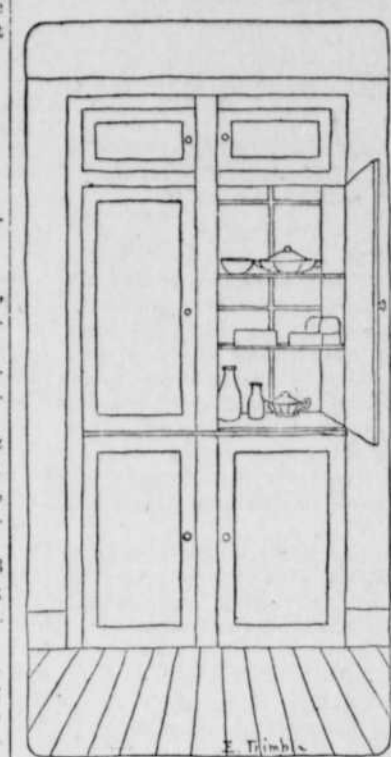
SUNDAY SERVICES.

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 A. M.
MORNING SERMON 11 A. M.
YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING 6:45 P. M.
EVENING SERMON 7:45 P. M.

WEEKDAY MEETINGS.

OPEN FORUM MEETING Wednesday, 7:45 P. M.
CHOIR PRACTICE Tuesday, 7:45 P. M.
CHILDREN'S SOCIAL, First Saturday Afternoon of Each Month.
JUNIOR SOCIAL, Third Friday Evening of Each Month.
YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIAL, Second Friday Evening of Each Month.
COMMUNITY DINNER AND SOCIAL, Last Monday Evening of Each Month.

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Mr. Morgan is adding two new rooms and a porch to the Morgan home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schweizer and Miss Susie Clairborn attended a dance given at the Oregon Trail hotel building Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Judd attended a Masonic party in Parma the same evening.

Miss Bernice Martin brought little Miss Isabelle Sarazin home with her for the week end.

A meeting of the vegetable growers was held Thursday evening at the school building. Mr. McCall, former county agriculturist of Canyon county, was the principal speaker.

He advised planting cauliflower and celery in addition to the lettuce for commercial purposes this year.

At a meeting of the P. T. A. held Friday evening they decided to buy new pictures for the school.

It was suggested that the members of P. T. A. attend a radio concert at Adrian where Howard Hatch is installing a radiophone. A song by a school girls and a vocal solo by Alvin McGinnis completed the program, after which the slides of "The Other Wise Man" were shown.

The first meeting of the sewing club was held Friday afternoon. There are nine girls, including Susie Clairborn, president; Gladys McGinnis, vice president; Cora Elliott, secretary-treasurer, and Jeanette Martin, Evelyn DeBord, Agnes Nichols, Virginia McGinnis, Lois Schweizer and Margaret Morogan.

Daily Thought.

It takes a long time to bring excellence to maturity.—Publius Syrus.

NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION TO FORM DRAINAGE DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF MALHEUR.

Notice is hereby given that hearing on the following petition will be held at the Court House in the city of Vale, Oregon, on the 5th day of March, 1923, for the purpose of determining whether the prayer of said petition shall be granted.

All persons owning or claiming an interest in lands described in said petition are hereby notified to appear at said place and on said date if the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

H. S. Sackett
Clerk of Malheur Co. Court.

PETITION TO THE HONORABLE COUNTY COURT OF MALHEUR COUNTY, STATE OF OREGON:

The undersigned, being owners of more than fifty per cent of the contiguous body of alkali, wet and overflow land in Malheur County, Oregon, hereinafter described do hereby petition your honorable body to cause to be organized a drainage district for the purpose of having such lands reclaimed and protected from the effects of water, for sanitary and agricultural purposes and for the convenience and welfare of the public utility and benefit; and for the purpose of this petition we state the following matters are required by Chapter 340 of the General Laws of Oregon, for the year 1915.

1. The name proposed for such District is WARD DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

2. The boundary lines of the proposed Drainage District are as follows:

Commencing at the quarter corner on the North side of section 1, Tp. 20 South, Range 47 East, thence West 1/2 mile; thence South 1/2 mile; thence west to the east bank of the Owyhee ditch; thence also said east bank of Owyhee ditch southerly direction to a point which said east bank intersects the section line of Sec. 1, Tp. 20 S, Range 46 E, thence east to the south quarter of section 6; thence north 1/2 mile thence east 660 feet; thence north the north line of section 6; thence west to point of beginning.

3. The total acreage included in the said proposed Drainage District is 467 acres.

4. The names of the owners of the land in said proposed drainage district as shown by the records of Malheur County, Oregon, and the acreage owned by each of said owners is as follows:

Names. Acreage.
John Ward 1
Ham Brown 1
Chas. Garrison 1
H. J. Ward 1
Malheur County 1
Oregon Short Line 1

5. The proposed reclamation and protection of said lands is for sanitary and agricultural purposes; and such proposed reclamation and protection will be conducive to the public health and welfare, and of public utility and benefit.

6. All of the lands included in said proposed district are properly included therein, and will be beneficially affected by the operations of the proposed district.

7. The benefits of such proposed reclamation and protection will exceed the damage to be done; and the best interest of the land included and of the owners of such land as a whole and of the public at large will be promoted by the formation and proposed operation of said district.

8. The formation of a drainage district under the provisions of Chapter 340 of the General Laws of Oregon for 1915, under the provisions of which this petition is proposed, is a proper and advantageous method of accomplishing the reclamation and protection of the land in said proposed Drainage District.

9. The proposed plan for the reclamation and protection of the land in said proposed drainage district, is by tile drains. There will be constructed two 12-inch tile drains, one of which will start at Chas. Garrison's land, and the other on John Ward's land and meeting a common drain on line between John Ward's and R. H. Brown's thence to the river.

The land included in the proposed district is so situated that, without ditches being constructed, the water is not drained off and the land remains cold and sour.

10. The signers of this petition agree that they will pay any and all expenses incurred, and any taxes that may be levied against their respective lands for the purpose of paying the expense of organizing or attempting to organize the proposed district, such expense to be taxes against the lands of the signers in proportion to the number of acres owned by them and affected by the proposed drainage.

11. WHEREFORE, your petitioners pray that the lands described herein, or such of them as may be found by the court to be properly included in the proposed drainage district, either permanently or until further investigation and survey may permit elimination, shall be declared organized into a drainage district under the provision of Chapter 340 of the General Laws of Oregon for the year 1915.

John Ward.
H. J. Ward.
Chas. Garrison.
R. H. Brown.

STATE OF OREGON, ss.
County of Malheur, ss.

I, Ivan E. Oakes, being first duly sworn, say that I have read the foregoing petition and that I believe the allegations thereof to be true. I further state that the signatures appended to said petition are true and proper signatures of persons whose names appear signed thereto, and that each and all of said signers of said petition are owners of the land within the proposed drainage district as set forth in said petition.

IVAN E. OAKES.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of January, 1923.

H. S. SACKETT,
County Clerk.

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