

The Needs of Asylum Are Many

Legislative Committees Find Branch Asylum at Pendleton Shy of Milk, Eggs and Nearly All Other Fresh Food

The 350 patients and 50 officers and attendants at the new state insane asylum, at Pendleton, are living on condensed milk, and there is also a woeful lack of fresh eggs and butter. Even the 50 ill and bedridden patients are being given the condensed milk. In fact the entire asylum population is virtually camping out.

This is the report brought back by the joint legislative committee, which inspected the new institution Saturday and Sunday, and which returned to Salem this morning. Their trip was to look into the needs of the asylum, which was only recently opened, in the way of equipment and appropriation.

There is a woeful lack of necessary furniture and other equipment, which the legislature is expected to remedy. There is no barn, no dairy herd, no hennery. The grounds are badly littered up with rubbish, and there are various other faults. The sudden addition of 400 or more to Pendleton's population has made it somewhat difficult to get proper fresh food supplies, members of the joint committee say.

In general, however, the committee was favorably impressed with the big institution and its modern arrangements. The buildings are of reinforced concrete, and practically indestructible.

While the joint committeemen have not yet considered what appropriations they will recommend to supply the institution's needs, one thing sure that they will recommend the establishment of a herd of milk cows. Superintendent McNary, of the institution, will be here Tuesday, and the joint committee will take up the matter of appropriations in detail.

One thing that Superintendent McNary will ask for is an appropriation for a new wing to the institution, which is already filled to normal capacity. There is only room for 20 more patients. It was understood, however, that the majority of the committee are not in favor of building the wing, but think that the institution should go along without it for several years, even if the asylum has to be badly crowded.

The committee, who were banqueted at Pendleton on Saturday night, traveled to that city and back in a special car attached to regular trains. In the legislative party were: State Treasurer Thomas B. Kay, Dr. E. L. L. Steiner, of the hospital at Salem; State Architect W. C. Knighton, President of the Senate Dan J. Malarky; Senators E. I. Bean, W. D. Wood, J. C. Smith and T. L. Perkins; Representatives R. W. Hagood, J. D. Abbott, Roy Graves, F. H. Porter, J. E. Anderson, Virgil H. Massey, J. A. Westerland, S. A. Hughes and W. B. Potter.

The Tide May Turn.

Vienna, Feb. 3.—Thousands of Austrians, Hungarians, Poles, and Servians are preparing to emigrate to Canada as soon as the new steamship line which will soon be inaugurated between Trieste and Montreal by the Canadian Pacific railroad is open for business. It is believed that the new line with its low rates, will turn a large part of the emigrants from this part of Europe from the United States to Canada.

House Has a Noble Bunch of Farmers

HORN HANDED SONS OF TOIL OF MULTNOMAH LORD IT OVER THE RURAL MEMBERS—SOME LEGISLATIVE GIGLETS.

One of the oddest sights of the legislature is to witness the Multnomah delegation, those horny handed sons of toil, butting in on legislation on good roads and other matters of vital importance to the rural and agricultural districts; actually taking the lead in the debates on such bills and setting themselves up as agricultural authorities in general. Raw, raw, raw.

And yet these dozen horny handed, and headed Portlanders cut a big swath on such matters with their votes no matter if their talk only puts heated oxygen in the atmosphere. In fact, their dozen votes usually decide the fate of a bill.

Why, probably not one of them could tell a whiffle tree from a noble oak; a bunch of alfalfa from a growing sage brush; or a gentleman cow from one that produces milk. Noble toilers by the sweat of their brows, these gentlemen, several of whom took the lead in getting the bill passed over the governor's veto, which compels all farmers with land abutting on public highways to keep such roads clear of weeds and this ties. Olson, Upton, McArthur and Latourette, lawyers; Abbott, job printer; Nolita, real estate dealer; Spencer, civil engineer, Lawrence, printer; Murnano, stationary engineer; Carpenter, a private detective, and so on.

One wonders why the house members from the rural districts don't combine and smite these Multnomah Overall Boys, who know not the difference between a metropolitan street sweeper and a rural road scraper, from off the face of the earth. Why don't they? One big reason is that the rural district members are not prone to combine in close organization for the rural good, and another big reason is that each rural member fears to incur their ire. He wants the organization support for some of his own pet measures.

Meanwhile it is a sight that tickles the gods.

Last week when the legislature accepted Rogue River apples and pears from the Medford Commercial club, and ate them with much relish, it little reckoned of the evil results that would follow with the letting down of the bars, and so quickly, too. Already the

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Convicts Are Badly Treated

Mitchell Explodes a Bombshell in the House When the Sterilization Bill Comes up—Draws Pitiful Picture

"What chance would criminals confined in our state penitentiary have in making an appeal to the courts," shouted Representative Frank Mitchell of Baker county, at the house this noon, during the debate on the sterilization bill. "No more, no not as much as a yellow cur."

"I discovered yesterday while visiting the penitentiary that the criminals confined there wear rags for socks and underwear. They have to. Why, they have had no change of underwear for 18 months. They bathe and then have to put on the same old underwear, those that have rags that can be called that. Why, many of these men are almost shoeless, work on the roads with feet wrapped in rags.

"Fine way for the great state of Oregon to treat its confined criminals because of the lack of sufficient money appropriated to supply their absolute necessary needs. Shame! Why, out there, by reason of our laws, these men are treated worse than beasts.

"It's not the fault of the penitentiary officials or the governor. The legislature and the people are to blame. So I repeat, what chance would a penitentiary criminal have in an appeal to the courts if the state board of health and the superintendent of the institution had decided that he should be operated surgically."

Mr. Mitchell's address, which was delivered with fire, electrified the house and presaged such a long debate that a motion to adjourn and take up the bill again at 1:30 this afternoon quickly prevailed. There is a wide difference of opinion as to the justice and wisdom of passing such a law.

The bill provides for the sterilization of habitual criminals, moral degenerates and sexual pervers who may be found in state institutions. If the superintendent of such an institution discovers such a case he is to report it to the state board of health. That body is to investigate and if it finds the accusation is correct, it shall certify so to the superintendent and order that official to have a surgical operation performed.

This is the bill as originally introduced by Lewelling, its author. When up for discussion last week, however, so much objection was found in that it gave the accused person no right of appeal, that the bill was referred back to the committee where it was amended to include the safeguard that the person accused had the right to appeal to the circuit court.

Mr. Lewelling opened the debate today with the assertion that the bill is necessary for the future welfare of the commonwealth; that it was absolutely necessary to protect by preventing persons of the class aimed at from propagating their kind. It was lawful

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Is Probably Insane.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 3.—After holding the police at bay for more than 12 hours, Joseph A. White, a former Seattle business man who barricaded himself in the Georgian hotel here, surrendered to the officers at 10:15 today. The officers who had been on duty since midnight talked him into opening the door and letting them in. He will be taken before a sanity commission.

Another Expensive Congress

IF PUBLIC BUILDINGS APPROPRIATIONS BILL PASSES THE TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR SESSION WILL HIT THE BILLION DOLLAR MARK.

Washington, Feb. 3.—When the house met at noon today it was expected to hold night sessions throughout the week in an effort to dispose of all pressing business before March 4, the date of President-Elect Wilson's inauguration. There are but 25 1/2 working days of this session left.

Failure to get through several big appropriation bills is threatened, some of the members of congress predicting they will lapse into the extra session to be called by President Wilson. So far the legislative, executive and judiciary appropriation bill is the only big appropriation bill to pass both houses.

It was predicted today that if the public buildings bill passes this will be another billion dollar congress.

CONGRESS WILL MAKE WICKERSHAM SHOW UP

Washington, Feb. 3.—A resolution ordering Attorney-General Wickersham to transmit to congress all opinions and all correspondence relating to his order staying the serving of warrants returned by the United States court of Texas against John D. Archbold, president of the Standard Oil company and other oil trust officials, was introduced in the house today by Representative Garner of Texas. It was referred to the judiciary committee. Archbold and his associates were indicted for alleged violations of the Sherman anti-trust law.

KILLED INSANE MAN TO SAVE OTHERS

San Mateo, Cal., Feb. 3.—Halted by a bullet in his side from the gun of Constable Owen while he was shooting promiscuously at passersby and paralyzing street car and other traffic, Marko Angelinich, an insane laborer, is dying here today. Angelinich took his stand in the lower landing of the Central block, pulled two revolvers from his pockets and began to blaze away. Every one in the vicinity fled, and Owen, who was in the office of Chief of Police Boland across the street, fired through a window at the crazed man. Angelinich dropped at the first shot.

The Pope's Health Bad.

Rome, Feb. 3.—Because the condition of his heart is far from satisfactory and the gouty symptoms which have been annoying him for some time have increased, concern is felt over the health of Pope Pius today. He is confined in his apartments.

Big Fire in Savannah.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 3.—One million five hundred thousand dollars is the damage estimated today from a fire destroying the wharves of the Merchants and Miners Transportation Co. No lives were lost.

Alarm of Fire Starts Stampede

Two Women Trampled to Death and 11 Probably Fatally Injured in Panic in N. Y. Moving Picture Show

New York, Feb. 3.—Trampled under foot in a panic among 4000 patrons of the Houston Hippodrome moving picture theatre, after a film in the operating room had become ignited, two unidentified women are dead and 11 men, women and children probably fatally injured today. Operator Steinert, who put out the fire a moment after it started, is being held under \$100 bonds today, but probably will be released.

A boy's cry of "fire" started the rush for the two small exits. Many fell down the steps leading from the theatre to the sidewalk.

Fire department officials declare today that the theatre complied with all the fire safety laws.

WENT SWIMMING IN MIDDLE OF THE PACIFIC

San Francisco, Feb. 3.—Pajamas as a bathing costume may become all the rage here as the result of the swimming exploit of Lillian Teece, May Malloy and Ida Oppenheim, three actresses, while coming from the Antipodes on the steamer Sonoma.

The Sonoma struck a calm in mid-ocean, and the "holder" warmth from the sunshine made one of the nights rather oppressive. The actresses awoke early and one suggested a "dip" in the canvass tank aboard.

A rustle of silk and then—"plash." The swimmers lost no time in getting back to their cabin when the "dip" was concluded.

SHADES OF DENNIS KEARNEY! JUST GET ONTO THIS

State Capitol, Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 3.—The assembly today unanimously endorsed a joint resolution favoring the extension of the Chinese exclusion act as proposed in Congressman John E. Baker's bill now before congress. Exclusion, under this act, would embrace all Asiatic labor from the United States, under the same provisions now applied to the Chinese.

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Making the Tariff.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Real tariff making began today when the house ways and means committee went into executive session to draft a tariff measure. An enormous amount of technical data has been submitted. The bill will be reported to congress as soon as the special session opens. It is expected that the entire tariff subject will be handled in this measure instead of by bills offering revision schedule by schedule.

Would Close All Places on Sundays

MORAL SQUAD PREPARING TO HAVE LAW ENFORCED CLOSING BILLIARD ROOMS, AND ALL PLACES OF AMUSEMENT SUNDAYS.

Another crusade directed against the billiard parlors, confectionery stores, cigar establishments, bowling alleys, and, in fact, every business in the city, with the exception of theatres, drug stores, doctor shops, undertakers, butchers and bakers, is on the verge of being made by the moral squad of Salem, according to Deputy District Attorney Walter Keyes today.

Four leading members of Salem's morality aggregation called upon the deputy district attorney last Friday, and made careful inquiry into the statute, relating to business establishments which may be operated on Sunday, and those prohibited under penalty. The names of the parties calling upon Deputy District Attorney Keyes could not be ascertained, but that officer intimated that his callers were evidently intending to take action in the matter, and believes prosecutions will follow soon in the event the law is not complied with by the Salem billiard parlor proprietors, at whom the present activity is undoubtedly aimed.

The Law.

The statute in question is as follows: "Any person or persons, firm or corporation conducting an open store, shop, grocery, bowling alley, billiard room, for the purpose of traffic or any place of amusement on the first day of the week commonly called 'Sunday' or the 'Lord's Day,' such person shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$5 nor more than \$50, providing, however, that the above provision shall not apply to theatres, the keepers of drug stores, doctor shops, undertakers, livery stable keepers, butchers and bakers, and all circumstances of necessity may be pleaded in defense when any such action is tried before a jury."

Whether or not this act applies to clubs and private organizations that operate billiard rooms, or other things coming within the prohibited list, has not been thoroughly established, as the statute has not been given a thorough test in court.

However, several of the local billiard parlor proprietors were warned by indirect notice that such action is

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Four Dead and Many Are Hurt

Sacramento Fire Department Proves Utterly Inadequate to Fight Big Fire—Four Dead Six Badly Injured

Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 3.—Drastic legislation is certain to follow the death of four persons in a fire that destroyed the filmless wood and staff St. Nicholas apartment house here yesterday and imperiled the lives of fifty-six other inmates, six of whom are badly injured. A city ordinance extending the fire limits and compelling adequate fire escapes for all rooming and apartment houses will be urged immediately, while the local fire department will come in for an overhauling.

Although the alarm was sounded at 8 o'clock in the morning, it was ten minutes later when the first response was made by the department. Once on the scene the firemen were handicapped by a lack of nets and the failure of the scaling ladders to work properly. With adequate apparatus, every life might have been saved.

The dead: Miss Nora Lawrence, aged 47, clerk in Wells Fargo express office. Body found in ruins.

Albert Febr, aged 65, Southern Pacific pensioner; body found in ruins.

Mrs. J. Hyde Thomas, trained nurse; body found in ruins.

W. J. Dunn, aged 30, manager Underwood Typewriter company, died of injuries.

Of those injured, Harold Protzman, an engraver, who jumped from the third story, will die. His back was broken. The other five injured are reported to be on the road to recovery. Charles E. Cox, clerk in the assembly, who jumped from the second story, sustained injuries to his back and was burned about the hands and arms. The property loss, which includes the gutting of two residences and one flat building, will approximate \$85,000.

BOSTON GARMENT WORKERS STRIKE IN SYMPATHY

Boston, Feb. 3.—More than 6000 garment workers employed in 150 establishments struck here today as a protest against Boston manufacturers doing work for New York factories, whose employes are out on strike. Two thousand girl pickets surrounded the plants. No disorders have been reported.

Kow-Tow to Rockefeller.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Tentative arrangements to take the deposition of William Rockefeller at Jekyll Island, Georgia, have been completed, according to an announcement made today by Chairman Pujo, of the house money trust investigating committee. Pujo and Senator Samuel Undermyer, of the committee will leave here Thursday.

WADE SEES THEM—MORELAND'S SCARF PIN SHEDS LIGHT ON SCHOLL BOOK MATTERS—GILL AND CAMPBELL AS VERY DRY FARMERS—OUR OWN HELTZEL AS A MODERN MOSES AND NOLTA FACES REED, ONCE RESPECTABLE, NOW AN ASSESSOR.

