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LEGISLATIVE SESSION ADJOURNED TODAY

INCOME TAX IMPORTANT BILL PASSED

Governor Pierce Got Three
Important Bills Past
Legislature.

5 ADMINISTRATION WERE FAILURES

Income Tax, State Market
Agent Anti-Alien Law
and \$100,000 Revolving
Fund Are Those Safely
Through.

(By Associated Press.)
SALEM, Feb. 23.—The most important legislation that Governor Walter M. Pierce, of La Grande, asked for and obtained were the income tax, the state market anti-alien law, \$100,000 revolving fund to establish industries at the penitentiary.

MURDERER IS HANGED TODAY

George Donnelly, Confessed
Slayer of Earl Moore,
Fellow Convict, Hanged
in Folsom, California.

(By Associated Press.)
FOLSOM, Cal., Feb. 23.—George Donnelly, slayer of Earl Moore, fellow convict, was hanged today. He was popular and defiant to the end.

George Donnelly admitted in court in Sacramento in March, 1922, that he stabbed Earl Moore, a fellow convict, to death in Folsom state prison. He offered to plead guilty to the charge of murder, but on the advice of District Attorney Hugh Bradford, he was given a trial.

Donnelly, who always maintained a defiant attitude, admitted that he had stabbed Moore to death while they were in the mess hall at the Folsom institution. At his trial he offered a plea of self-defense, but quickly was found guilty of first degree murder. He was sentenced to death but appealed to the state supreme court, which refused to hear his case.

Donnelly was convicted four times on felony charges, and at the same time of the killing of Moore he was serving a term of fourteen years for burglary committed in Sacramento county.

EMERICKS TRIAL PROGRESSING

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Feb. 23.—W. H. Emerick's attorney stated at a trial today that a "reputable citizen" would testify that he saw Emerick read primary ballots correctly. The attorney charged that the ballot boxes had been tampered with, and that the watchman "did his watching by going into an adjoining office, getting some good liquor and going to sleep."

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Smoky Gaston Beats Kent By Small Margin In American Dog Derby

(By Associated Press.)
ASHTON, Ida., Feb. 23.—Smoky Gaston came back. As the central figure of a scene that resembled old time week in Babylon at the finish of the American dog derby Thursday, the young trapper from the National park entrance at West Yellowstone defeated Tud Kent for honors in the famous trail chase, the American championship, its representative cup and all the emoluments thereof, state the Idaho Statesman. In a sensational rush over the white trail that brought the two teams in but 14 seconds apart, even the frenzied hawks of the former champion admitted that Smoky in his spectacular comeback had earned every bit of the title in a trail battle that lasted every inch of the way.

INTERNATIONAL COUNTERFEITER PLOT WIDENING

Over 500 Arrested; Fifteen
Nabbed in Foreign Coun-
tries; Gang Murders Are
Charged.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—With the international counterfeiting system wrecked by secret service agents who laid bare its workings here Wednesday and with between 500 and 600 persons connected with the ring in a dozen countries under arrest, federal authorities Thursday prepared for a court fight to send the counterfeiters to jail for the maximum term of 45 years.

While court evidence was being set in order, the fragment of the secret service was extended to most of the large cities of the United States to catch hundreds of members of counterfeit money, implicated by clues captured in Tuesday's raids here.

Joseph A. Palma, chief of the special secret service squad, which for eight months tracked the makers and distributors of spurious money, gave evidence of the widespread international ramifications of the plot by announcing that 15 persons had been arrested in England, France, Egypt, Germany, Cuba, Austria and the Balkans as a result of information furnished by the American secret service.

New York police, who began an independent investigation, professed to find a direct connection between the counterfeit plot and many hitherto unsolved gang murders of the past few years.

(By Associated Press.)
KANSAS CITY, Feb. 23.—Twelve persons were burned to death and five others were reported missing in a fire early today which destroyed a two story frame rooming house.

TWO ENDORSE BILL
(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Secretaries Hoover and Wallace today endorsed the Lenroot-Anderson farm credits bill which Secretary Mellon has opposed. Wallace said that the president approved the measure.

State vs W. Kessler, Charged With Killing Arthur Cleaver, Began

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fered "Kessler was totally drunk and wholly under the influence of liquor and was unfit to drive, and this jury recommends that William Kessler be held for investigation by the grand jury." Kessler was bound over to the grand jury at a later date under bonds of \$5,000.

The case was originally set for last Tuesday morning at nine o'clock, but, due to the darkness in reaching an end in several preceding cases on the calendar, it was not taken up until this morning.

SHIP BILL'S DOOM SEEMS NOT FAR OFF

Opponent's Claim Enough
Votes to Recommit
By Saturday.

FILIBUSTERING IN SENATE CONTINUES

End of Administration Ship-
ping Bill Seems Eminent;
May Displace It With An-
other Bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—The end of the senate shipping bill fight appeared near today through an agreement reached behind closed doors for a temporary armistice in the filibuster. The senate agreed to adjourn at six o'clock, take up minor bills for two hours tomorrow, then proceed with the shipping bill, but with the possibility of a vote in the meantime on motion for recommitment after the agreement, administration leaders conceded the ship bill "was as good as dead."

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Buffet by another day of filibustering in the senate, the administration shipping bill Thursday night appeared headed toward its doom. The end seemed likely not later than Saturday on a motion to recommit the legislation or to displace it with another bill.

The filibuster which began Monday night continued unabated through the day and into the night. During its progress, there were a number of private conferences between republican senators and later between republican and democratic leaders in which negotiations were conducted for definite action by Saturday night so that the final week of the session might be open for consideration of other pressing legislation.

AMENDMENT REJECTED
(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—By a vote of 95 to 65 the House today rejected the amendment to the Alien Property bill proposing to return all property to enemy aliens seized during the war.

SAP'S BEGINNING TO RUN



Senator Borah, Of Idaho, May Visit Russia As A Guest of Soviet Leaders

(By The Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, may be the guest of the Russian soviet government if he arranges for the European trip next spring he has been considering. Mr. Borah said he had received an "unofficial" invitation to go to Russia as the guest of the government. He has decided to go, he said, if conditions make it at all possible.

DENNIS' TEN PER CENT TAX BILL KILLED

SALEM, Feb. 23.—The house late yesterday killed the Dennis 10 per cent tax reduction bill.

The house passed a bill placing a 5 per cent tax on motion picture film licenses or franchises, the senate passed the state finance commission bill, and killed the Carner bill introduced at the request of the Oregon Wool Growers association, providing for the Hunter system of destroying predatory animals.

The senate killed a resolution introducing bills thirty days before legislative opens.

ELKS DANCES SET FOR APRIL 17TH NOW

Announcement was made today that the Elks dance, to have been held on March 3rd, has been postponed until April 17th. The coming dance is to be sponsored by Elk traveling salesmen and will be held under their direction. The reason for postponement is due to the fact that the Lenten season will still be in progress March 3rd and by holding it a month later, it is hoped that the roads will be in better shape, making it easier for out-of-town Elks to drive to the dance.

TABLES MERGER INQUIRY
WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—The House agriculture committee tabled a resolution calling for the Federal trade commission inquiry into the proposed Armour-Morris packing combination.

CONSOLIDATION BILL DIES IN A DEADLOCK

FRENCH TO REPLACE HUN OFFICIALS

(By Associated Press.)
ESSEN, Feb. 23.—The French decided to replace German custom officials withdrawn by the French throughout the Ruhr valley.

One Civilian Killed.
(By Associated Press.)
BERLIN, Feb. 23.—Martial law was declared in Buchum as a result of a disturbance yesterday when French soldiers fired on a crowd, killing one civilian and wounding two.

THE WEATHER
(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Feb. 23.—Tonight fair. Saturday fair, excepting probably rain in the northwest portion.

DAILY POWER READINGS
(By Associated Press.)
The daily report of the Eastern Oregon Light and Power company, now combating a power and light shortage, is as follows:

Plants	KWH Gen.
Rock Creek	5500
Fremon	6750
Morgan Lake	570
Cove	990
Steam Plant	10350
Baker Municipal	902
Total KWH generated	25,152
Total one year ago	32,520
Lake Levels	
Olive Lake, Feb. 23, 1923	one foot nine inches; Feb. 23, 1922, nine feet eight and three fourths inches; Morgan Lake, Feb. 23, 1923, two feet three and one-half inches; Feb. 23, 1922, four feet nine inches.

"The Cove and Rock Creek water situation has shown some improvement. At the present rate of consumption, Olive Lake will last fifteen days," stated J. P. Lottridge, manager of the company, who urges every power and light user to conserve to the utmost.

O. A. C. Cadet Band To Appear In Concert Here During East Oregon Trip

F. J. Holmes, advance agent for the Oregon Agricultural college cadet band, spent yesterday in La Grande making arrangements for the appearance of the band here March 20th, in the high school auditorium, under the auspices of the La Grande high school student body. Mr. Holmes left this morning bound for Pendleton where he will make arrangements for the band's appearance there, during their Eastern Oregon trip.

GIANTS DEFEAT CLERKS 28-17 IN FAST GAME

Clerks, Weakened in Last
Half, Trail Behind After
Ending First Half in the
Lead; High School Trims
M. I. A.

Last Night's Results.
Purple Giants, 28, Clerks 17.
High School 21, M. I. A. 12.

In the fastest exhibition of basketball seen on the local floor in many moons, the Purple Giants, who, incidentally, are each and everyone far from being of pygmy-like stature, defeated the La Grande Amateur Athletic Association, known as the "Clerks" by the score of 28 to 17. At the end of the first half the Clerks led 11 to 10 but with the pulling of Pete Larson from the line-up and the insertion of Park Taylor, the Clerks lost their stride and in the last half the Giants scored 18 points to the home boys six.

Starting off with Larson and Alford at forwards, Garrity at center, and Reynolds and Ash as guards, the Clerks registered first when Alford dribbled a pretty shot through the hoop. The Giants tied the score and went ahead with two field baskets, which were soon broken up when, with a burst of speed, carried the ball nearly the entire length of the floor and hit the hoop. The Giants again scored and the honor of evening things up this time went to Judy Ash. Two foul conversions by the Giants sent them into an 8-4 lead which was soon broken by a converted foul and a field basket by Toots. Alford added another two points to the list and the Giants scored leaving the count Clerks 11, Giants 10 at the end of the half.

Team Slumps.
In the second half Larson was taken out and Park Taylor took his place. Although Taylor exhibited a good brand of ball he was unable to successfully cope with his opponent and from that point on the Giants got going. Two baskets sent the count to 13-11 when Skeet, with a clanging dribble, got within firing range and put it up to 13-14. In a burst of speed the Giants forged into a safe lead and put the game away with five field baskets putting the score at 24-13. Taylor then went out and Larson came back in. Alford promptly scored, the Giants counted. Alford scored again and the Giants dropped one more through, the timekeeper's whistle then ending the game, with the score 28-17.

Game Clean and Fast.

Rarely is a game between two teams out of high school played with the sportsmanship and clean playing that came to light on often. Few fouls were called, and the referee, Charles Reynolds, was showing his best stuff, and both teams went at full speed throughout. In the last six minutes, after Larson returned to the line-up, the Giants stalled.

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Solons Stop at 1:35 a. m.

Senate Confirms Action and
Thirty-Second Session
Comes to Close.

MOVIE TAX BILL KILLED BY SENATE

One Bill Passed in Closing
Hours; All But Astoria
Tax Remitting Bill Fails.

(By The Associated Press.)
SALEM, Feb. 23.—In the midst of parliamentary controversy over the Carlin Consolidation bill the House adjourned sine die at 1:35 o'clock this morning. The Senate confirmed the action and the thirty-second assembly came to a close.

The consolidation perished in a deadlock over amendments made by the Senate to the bill which passed the House yesterday.

Preliminary to adjournment the Senate killed the motion picture tax bill.

The income tax bill remitting Astoria taxes for seven years passed, and other relief legislation failed.

RECONSIDERED BILL (By Associated Press.)

SALEM, Feb. 23.—The Senate last night reconsidered and passed a bill defeated earlier in the day, providing the Hunter system for destroying predatory animals.

BERTHA BLAND SAFE IN RENO

(By Associated Press.)
RENO, Nev., Feb. 23.—Mrs. Bertha Bland, whose disappearance from Sacramento and subsequent finding of her clothes in a boat, caused an investigation, is in Reno and will establish her residence here to secure a divorce, said Police Chief Kirkley. She told the chief she arrived Saturday, and that she had left home because her husband had beaten her.

RADIO TRIALS ARE TONIGHT

Dr. O. M. Heacock, of Enterprise, who has a reputation of being the best versed man on radio matters in Eastern Oregon, will conduct a radio demonstration in the Foley hotel tonight from 6:30 o'clock until ten o'clock. The demonstration, which will be in the lobby, will illustrate the possibilities of Dr. Heacock's radio receiving sets, that are, he says, "four or five times louder than others and clearer, more easily tuned."

Dr. Heacock, who has been a radio bug since the radio first made its appearance, has been very successful in the past, and has just returned from a trip to Baker, Union and Telocaset, installing a set in the Union Hotel after three other sets obtained from other sources had failed to give satisfaction. He has put in many sets in La Grande, among them being those owned and operated by Bruce Dennis, A. J. Stange and L. C. Smith.

Officers of Boy Scout Council Are Re-Elected

At a meeting of the La Grande Boy Scouts Council last evening all the 1922 officers were re-elected, the personnel of the officers of the board still remaining as follows: President, C. E. Short; treasurer, Charles Harding, and secretary, L. B. Moe. The meeting was an annual affair and in addition to the election of officers, plans for the year were discussed and several changes were made in former plans.

The financial report indicated that the standing of the organization in La Grande is on a sound basis. Important among the plans discussed was one relative to the procuring of a permanent camping ground site for the boy scouts, equipped with a scout kitchen and other facilities. Two or three locations for the camp have been investigated but no definite decision has been made as to which one will be selected.