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Progress is Made Despite the Failure of Many Bills

PIERCE ADMITS MAKING MISTAKE

Governor Believes That He Talked too Freely With Members; Loss of His Pet Plans Mourned.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Feb. 24.—"The boys were pretty good," was the way Governor Pierce summed up the recent legislative session, "states the Oregonian."

"Taken by and large, the governor is rather well satisfied with the results of the legislature. He did not get everything he asked for in his message, but he made progress."

"I made a mistake," observed this governor, "when I talked too freely with the boys. I shouldn't have told in advance what I intended doing with bills. I will not commit that error two years from now."

"What I am trying to do," continued the executive, "is to reach out and get tax money by indirect means. I made a good start this time, but the boys could have helped me more. I wanted the moving picture bill passed. I estimated that it would raise \$100,000 a year. The boys killed that and they killed my bill—introduced by Mott—directed at corporations, which would have increased their fees so that the state would get about \$150,000 more a year from this source."

"A severance tax I wanted, but I hadn't the time to write a bill covering my ideas. The timber boys should have helped me. I wanted a severance tax on timber from land not now on the tax roll. I fear that the failure of the legislature to act in this matter will result in the coming of a severance tax which will apply to all our natural resources."

Assessing Bill Killed.

"I did want centralizing assessing authority, but the bill was killed in the house. It was a splendid bill, with a splendid idea and would have helped a lot."

"We got an income tax which I figure will yield \$1,500,000 a year. And the insurance bill will bring in \$200,000 a year more from this source."

"One of the good bills is the commission of finance control. I'll have to look around for men for that commission and right now I don't know whom I will appoint or can get to accept."

"Then there is that bill for tax conservation and supervisory commissions in every county. By George, I'll search the state to get the right men for those commissions. It will take a lot of work, but I'll do it somehow."

THE WEATHER

(By The Associated Press.)

PORTLAND, Feb. 24.—Tonight and Sunday fair, excepting probable rains in the Northwest portion, accompanied by gentle southerly winds.

DAILY POWER READINGS

The power readings of the Eastern Oregon Light and Power company for today are as follows:

Plant KWH Generated

Rock Creek 5,470

Fremont 5,275

Morgan Lake 1,000

Cove 1,550

Steam Plant 10,300

Baker Municipal 900

Total KWH generated 24,475

Total Year ago today 32,080

La Grande

Olive Lake, February 24, 1923, one foot eight inches

February 24, 1922, nine feet

six and one half inches; Morgan Lake, February 24, 1923, two feet two and one half inches; February 24, 1922, four feet nine inches.

NO DECISION REACHED

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Despite published reports to the contrary, Secretary Hoover said today that the American relief administration, of which he heads, had reached no decision on cutting off relief shipments to Russia, which is now said to be exporting grain to Germany and Turkey.

EMBALEING FLUID KICKS

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Eight hundred quarts of a liquid represented to be embalming fluid, but with the odor of rum whiskey and whiskey labels on the bottles, were seized by the police from an undertaker's wagon today. Three men were arrested.

Pendleton Hoop Squads Arrive In La Grande

Arriving in La Grande this morning on Train No. 24, the boys and girls' basketball teams from Pendleton high school, accompanied by their coaches and a number of rosters, are ready to take on the Blue and White teams this evening in the high school gymnasium. According to the reports, both squads are getting a fast pace and after the two wins over La Grande at Pendleton, they are confident in history repeating.

Although the Pendleton girls are favorites over the Blue girls, the boys' squad is conceded an even chance with the Round-Up quintette. La Grande has not lost a single inter-scholastic game this season on their home floor and are planning on keeping their record intact. Following the game tonight only one inter-scholastic game remains to be played before the season is complete. By losing to Baker last week, La Grande put herself into a tie with Joseph for first honors and the way things stand at present, La Grande must win from Baker to the Joseph, providing Joseph wins all the rest of her games. If Joseph should lose one and La Grande wins from Baker, La Grande would have the "On To Salem" slogan become a fact but if both teams tie, it will be up to the state association, who will invite one of the teams. Coach Cecil Snow will have two squads in uniform tonight ready to battle the Pendletonians and Miss Joseph is hopeful of a close score and is expecting her players to put up a match stronger game than they did in their opening game. The game will begin at 7:30 o'clock and will be played in the high school gymnasium.

Umatilla County Hunters Slay About 8,000 Jack-Rabbits in Club Shoot

PENDLETON, Feb. 24.—Between 7,000 and 8,000 jackrabbits lost their lives yesterday as the result of a shoot staged by the Pendleton Rod and Gun club in the west end of the county. Features of the shoot were the close score of the two teams, the reporting of John Vaughan as a casualty, and the "bad roads" states a special dispatch from the Pendleton Tribune.

Over 50 participated in the drive, most of them doing the shooting, a few acting as ear counters, others covering the event for Oregon papers, and still others carrying ammunition.

The barrage was laid down at nine a. m. by L. C. Scharf's team, six miles north of Echo, and by County Agent Fred Hennon's team near Sarvis Springs, 12 miles southwest of Echo. The slaughter was terrific. Both teams used the same strategy, selecting canyons and driving in from both ends. Several men reported killing over 100 without moving from their selected spot.

SHIPPING BILL NOW CONCEDED AS LOST CAUSE

Death Blow Is Expected to Be Dealt to Administration Measure on Monday; Hope for Measure is Gone

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The administration shipping bill was again brought before the senate today preparatory to dealing a death blow to it Monday. Jones, the leader of the administration forces, conceded openly in the senate the defeat of the bill.

"I recognize when I am beaten," he said in promising to secure a decisive vote not later than Monday.

Another Farm Credit Bill.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The composite farm credits bill, embracing the principal features of the Leavitt-Anderson, Capper and Strong measure, was completed today by the house banking committee. Chairman McFadden said that it would be reported to the house Monday and taken up for passage probably Tuesday.

BANDITS MAKE A RICH HAUL

(By The Associated Press.)

PETERSBURG, Va., Feb. 24.—Six masked bandits forced entrance into the Seaward Trunk and Bag factory early today, bound and gagged the watchman, broke open the vault and escaped with \$10,000 dollars.

BULLETINS

IRREGULARS ARRESTED

(By Associated Press.)

CORK, Feb. 24.—Further arrests and captured arms, ammunition as well as the surrender of a number of irregulars was officially reported, but no details were given.

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GIVE MAN A BATH; FIVE NOW IN JAIL

Vigilant Committee Causes Arrest of Five Men for "Sanitary Measures"

"HE NEEDED A BATH" AFFIRM PRISONERS

Five Men Accused of Binding Emmett Brightman and Dumping Him in American Lake; Men Say "It Was Clover Creek."

(By The Associated Press.)

TACOMA, Feb. 24.—Five men are held in jail here today charged with kidnapping, binding, and gagging Emmett Brightman, 26, at Midland, taking him in an automobile and dumping him into American Lake.

The accused men said that Brightman had been hanging around the logging camp and they decided he needed a bath, so took and forced him to bathe in Clover Creek, near Park land. They denied that they put him in American Lake.

Midland citizens formed a vigilante committee and caused the arrest of the five men.

PARK HOME IS RAZED BY FIRE

THE PARK, Feb. 24.—Lewis Foss, a farmer of the Little Park district, lost his home last night by fire. The blaze started in the upper floor of his residence, the origin being unknown, and razed the building entirely. The estimated amount of loss is heavy but amounts to a considerable figure.

LEGION PRIZES TO BE AWARDED

Under the auspices of the American Legion post, the Union County Ad. Club will hold their regular weekly meeting at the Methodist Church, Tuesday noon with Fred E. Kiddle as chairman of the day. A feature of the meeting will be the awarding of a post banner and post flag, won in the Legion parade in La Grande on Armistice Day, to the Indian and Union posts. The American Legion quartette will also render several songs.

RADIO PROGRAM TONIGHT

Dr. O. M. Henneke has announced that another radio program will be held this evening between the hours of 8:30 and 10 o'clock, this time to be at the Eastern Oregon Music company, in the La Grande National bank building. The reason for the change from the Foley to the music company's store is that the buzz of the motion picture machines interfered with the clearness of the broadcastings received.

Golf Devotees Banging The Old Pill Over The Country Club Links Now

While rough weather prevails in other sections of Oregon, the Grande Ronde valley is undergoing rather unique weather conditions. During much of January farmers were busily engaged in plowing. February has its distinctions, too, for golf is possible these pleasant days. Several railways are in excellent condition and devotees are hitting out the "pill" regularly. The weather is entirely satisfactory, and since it is possible to play the old-time fever is being reincarnated. Several fans are taking lessons from Instructor Scully, in anticipation of a profitable year's play the coming season.

DUNN BILL IS VETOED BY PIERCE

Measure Exempting from Inheritance Tax All Property Bequeathed for Charity Killed by Executive.

(By Associated Press.)

SALEM, Feb. 24.—The governor announced that he had vetoed the Dunn bill exempting from the inheritance tax all property bequeathed for charitable purpose. The bill was intended to affect the Daily estate of Lake county.

PARALYTIC STROKE KILLS ELGIN LADY

Reports received in La Grande today state that Mrs. Killie Patten, 57, a resident of Elgin, passed away at her home this morning following a stroke of paralysis. The funeral services will be held Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock and the interment will take place in the Summerville cemetery at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Barrie, Nelson TO MEET AGAIN

Allie Nelson and Bus Barrie Scheduled to Fight Here Thursday Night; Supremacy Still Unsettled.

La Grande fight fans will see Bus Barrie and Allie Nelson in the ring again here Thursday evening, March 1, at the Star Theatre, states Matchmaker Ed Ford, a member of the La Grande Boxing Commission. They will be matched in the main event, a ten-round go, and Kid Sarp and Mickey Dempsey will meet in the six-round semi-final.

Barrie and Nelson are still hot for little honors. Despite the fact that Barrie got a decision over Allie here a short time ago, instead of settling things, it merely tied them up further. They have met four times, two fights resulting in draws, one going to Barrie and one to Nelson. And there it stands! The coming match, if won by either boy, will give the winner a decided edge and will go a long way towards deciding their ring supremacy.

With Barrie and Nelson coming here next Thursday and Sailor Manning, of Spokane, and Battling Labadie, of Baker, matched to appear here shortly afterwards, local fans are looking to the coming of two matches that are sure to be excellent.

CLAY-BIRD SHOOT TOMORROW.

Scattergun artists will again gather at the Country Club traps tomorrow from noon until three o'clock in the afternoon, continuing their weekly Sunday shoot. With the weather man forecasting a "fair" Sunday, the trapshooters are expecting to make more than a fair showing.

GEMS WORTH \$100,000.00 ARE STOLEN

One of the Biggest Hauls Made By Gem Robbers for Some Time Past.

DIAMONDS TAKEN FROM SALESMAN

Henry C. Hart, Diamond Salesman, Says Armed Men Relieved Him of Gems in New York.

(By The Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Henry C. Hart, New York diamond salesman, reported today that he had been robbed by two armed men of \$100,000 worth of diamonds in a downtown building.

French Soldiers Relieve Germans of Big Shipment of Marks and Plates

(By The Associated Press.)

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—French forces boarded a Berlin-Cologne express near Hengelo, confiscated a consignment of 12,000,000 marks and plates belonging to the Reichsbank, it was announced here.

At the current quotations of about 40,000 marks to the American dollar, the amount reported taken by the French would total about \$300,000 in American money.

PROVISIONS OF INCOME TAX BILL GIVEN

In a special dispatch from the State Capitol to the Portland Telegram the following provisions of the income tax bill, approved by the state legislature, is given:

The outstanding features of the income tax bill approved by the legislature follow:

Single persons are entitled to an exemption of \$1,000.

Married persons get an exemption of \$2,000 and \$400 for each dependent.

Resident or non-resident corporations are entitled to an exemption of \$200.

Dividends of resident corporations, if retained in business of corporations, are subject to taxes to be paid by corporation.

If dividends are distributed, the tax is collected from individuals. This is effort to evade possibility of double taxation on dividends.

In the following table, the first column gives net income after property taxes, federal income taxes and all other deductions except \$1000 exemption allowed single persons and \$2000 exemption allowed married persons; column two gives the tax single persons would pay after deducting the \$1000 exemption, and column three, the tax paid if entitled to a \$2000 exemption because married:

Income	Single	Married
\$1000	0.00	0.00
\$2000	10.00	0.00
\$3000	22.50	10.00
\$4000	37.50	22.50
\$5000	55.00	37.50
\$6000	75.00	55.00
\$7000	100.00	75.00

In the above table no deduction is made for dependents which entitles the individual to an additional exemption of \$400 for each dependent.

In computing the net income individuals and corporations are entitled to deduct, among other items, the following: "A reasonable allowance for salaries or other compensation for personal services actually rendered," and other similar deductions now allowed under the federal act; taxes imposed by state, federal or municipal corporations, including federal income tax, but excluding property taxes of a kind tending to increase the value of property assessed and the state income taxes imposed by this act; losses, debts ascertained to be worthless, depreciation, etc., as defined by the federal income tax law; contributions or gifts as defined by the federal act.

HUGE EMBLOR IS RECORDED

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Another heavy earthquake, apparently in the same location as the tremendous shock in the Pacific on February 2nd, was recorded here today.

Ex-Ambassador Is Dead In Philadelphia Today

(By The Associated Press.)

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.—Charles Tower, former United States ambassador to Germany, died today of pneumonia.

Charles Tower was one of the most popular diplomatic figures in the brilliant court life of Berlin during the six years he served as American Ambassador to Germany by appointment of President Roosevelt. His diplomatic career began in 1897, when he was named by President McKinley as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States to Austria-Hungary. Two years later he was advanced to ambassadorial rank and sent to Russia, and from there went to Berlin in 1902.

The eighth in descent from John Tower, who left his English home in 1827 to settle in America, Charles Tower was born in Philadelphia April 17, 1848. He attended the public schools of Pennsylvania, and later Phillips Academy, Exeter, N. H., completing his preparatory studies. He entered Harvard in 1868 and was graduated in 1872. He spent four years traveling and studying in Europe, and in 1876 began the study of law. He was admitted to practice in 1878.

In 1881 he removed to Duluth, Minn., to accept the Presidency of the Duluth and Iron Range Railroad, which position he held in conjunction with the managing directorship of the Minnesota Iron Company, for five years. During that period he was largely instrumental in the opening and development of the great iron deposits of that region.

In 1888 he married Miss Helen Smith, of Oakland, Calif., and by her had three sons.

Several universities, both here and abroad, honored Mr. Tower with degrees. He was a director of the University of Pennsylvania; vice-president of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, a member of the Academy of Natural Sciences, and the American Institute of Mining Engineers.

He also was a director in the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company, the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, the New York and New Haven Railroad Company, and the Pennsylvania Street Company.

AUTO WRECK CASE GOES TO THE JURY

Manslaughter Case Nearly Ready to Go to Jury at Two O'Clock.

MANY WITNESSES ARE EXAMINED

Case Was Begun Yesterday Morning in Circuit Court, Charging Killing of Arthur Cleaver to Kessler.

The case of the State of Oregon vs. William Kessler, charged with manslaughter of Arthur Cleaver, went to the jury this afternoon at 2:40 o'clock. At three o'clock, just before the observer went to press, the jury was still in session.

The case of the State of Oregon vs. William Kessler, started in the circuit court yesterday morning, was practically ready to go to the jury at two o'clock this afternoon. Since the jurors have been drawn, which was completed yesterday in the morning, both sides have drawn many witnesses and the case is exciting considerable interest.

Charged with manslaughter of Arthur Cleaver, of Baker, Kessler pleads not guilty. The wreck, in which Cleaver met his death, occurred near Union December 2 and among the witnesses, many Union citizens have taken the stand to testify. Attorneys T. H. Crawford and Robert Eakin are representing the defendant and Ed Wright is conducting the case for the state. Judge J. W. Knowles is presiding.

FRAT NIGHT AT M. E. CHURCH

Pleasant Hour Will Be Devoted to Various La Grande Fraternities; Fine Musical Program Is Arranged.

Fraternity Night is the designation given the "Pleasant Hour" service in the First Methodist Episcopal church Sunday evening at 7:30. There are fully 2500 members in the various fraternities of La Grande and this service will be of extra special interest to them and their friends. The subject, "Of What Practical Benefit to La Grande are the Fraternities?" will be discussed in brief talks by Charles R. Harding and C. M. Humphreys. Mr. Quigley will speak on "Brotherliness as Exemplified in the Life of Jesus, the Foundation of all Fraternity and the Soul of Religion."

A great program of vocal and instrumental music has been prepared. The La Grande Chorus Quartet, Messrs. G. L. Dutton, Sherwood Williams, Elmer Stoddard and Geo. S. Birnie, will sing two fine selections. A male choir of fourteen voices will be heard in two numbers. George S. Birnie and Ray Williams will contribute each a solo. In addition J. L. Lindsay, the popular violinist, will play two solos, "Berceuse" by Godard and "The Largo" by Handel. The personnel of the male choir will be as follows: tenors, G. L. Dutton, Stuart Bennett, Claude Cooper, Sherwood Williams, C. R. Harding, E. O. Payton, A. W. Nelson; basses, Elmer Stoddard, Paul Knut, E. A. Kinman, Ray Williams, G. H. Quigley, Geo. S. Birnie, Lawrence Graham and E. D. Towler.

THE MARKET

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