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## ABE MARTIN



"I just ached from head to foot, and wanted to die, at all of that, but I will say the worst thing about flu is havin' to stay at home four days," says Mrs. Leghorn Tharp. A congressman is a feller that's tear the air in favor of a \$500,000,000 appropriation, and then light a nickel cigar.

## Here and There In Legislature

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 26 (AP)—Without a negative vote the senate Monday passed the excise bill, which is house bill No. 507, and on the program of the property tax relief commission, but it defeated house bill 233, also on the program of that committee and providing for what is known as the "Oregon plan." The excise tax bill is the first of the main revenue measures to pass both houses. Senator Bennet will move reconsideration of 233, having changed his vote for the purpose.

Senator Bell, chairman of the senate committee on assessment and taxation, led the debate for the Oregon plan, explaining in brief that its purpose was to safeguard bond issues or tax levies in excess of constitutional limitations by providing for review by the state board of review to be the governor, the secretary of state and the state treasurer.

Senator J. O. Bailey assailed the bill, declaring that if it goes into effect the Portland school district will be unable at the June election to vote the special tax levies that are voted there each year.

Senate bill 192, one of a group of measures designed to curb the stealing in Eastern Oregon and one of the most bitterly contested measures of the senate, was referred to the joint ways and means committee Monday after one affirmative and one negative speech had been made on it when the bill came up for third reading. The reason for this was that Senator Bell discovered that the bill carried an appropriation. It had been reported out by a majority of the ways and means committee with a favorable recommendation.

An unsuccessful effort was made Monday to get reconsideration of Senator Upton's bill which would reopen Coquille river to seine fishing. The measure was killed Saturday by indefinite postponement.

Senator Jones, chairman of the committee on fishing industries, moved reconsideration because, he explained, he wanted to give Upton a chance to be heard.

Without opposition the Malarkey bill, which divides the seven justices of the supreme court into seven departments for election purposes was passed by the senate Monday. The effect is that each candidate for the supreme bench runs in contest for a particular place on the bench and not against the field as in the case at present.

Measures passed by the senate Monday included:

- S. B. 240, by committee on alcoholic traffic—Strengthening law prohibiting automobiles being driven by drunken drivers. The second offense is made punishable by imprisonment in the penitentiary.
- S. B. 133, by committee on alcoholic traffic—Limiting to druggists the sale of wine tonics, etc., and restricting their advertising.
- H. B. 48, by committee on repeal of laws—Changing law relative to bank deposits over seven years old.
- H. B. 498, by Chinook—Giving justice courts and district courts concurrent jurisdiction with circuit courts in trial of misdemeanors under the water code.
- H. B. 76, by J. H. E. Scott—Providing for notice from landlord to tenant to terminate occupancy of premises.
- H. B. 197, by Fisher—Appropriation for repair of Roseburg armory.
- H. B. 276, by Winslow—Appropriating money for completion of armory at Tillamook.
- H. B. 280, by Settlemier—Appropriating money for repair of

Woodburn armory.  
H. B. 248, by Bronaugh—New real estate code, strengthening act and increasing broker's license fees.  
H. B. 287, by Russell and Tompkins—Authorizes school boards to establish areas for transportation of pupils.  
H. B. 309, by Chindgren—Making it unlawful to spread false reports of finances and management of a co-operative association.

No more free smelt for the people of Oregon. The lower house Monday passed the senate bill which will require a 50-cent license for smelt fishing in the Sandy river.

Garage owners and tire dealers will no longer be able to secure free copies of the motor vehicle registration lists from the secretary of state. The lower house passed Senator Joe Dunne's bill repealing the section of the automobile code which required the secretary of state to print such lists monthly. Mimeographed copies of the lists in a limited number to be distributed only to sheriffs and other peace officers will be issued monthly.

Regulation by the county court of dance halls in towns of less than 500 population is provided for in S. B. 78, also passed by the house Monday afternoon. The bill was aimed principally at the so-called social clubs in small towns, who under this title evaded regulation.

Vetoed senate bill 214 of the 1927 session raising the salaries of Lake county officers was also passed by the lower house.

Dogs and dog bills caused considerable discussion in the lower house Monday afternoon and after 45 minutes discussion two dog bills were passed and one was sent back to committee.

H. B. 542, which provides for the organization of dog control districts and the appointment of three supervisors for male dogs from \$1 to \$2 and for female dogs from \$2 to \$3, were fairly harmless and slid through without question.

The joint ways and means committee last night voted to report out favorably a bill providing for an appropriation of \$40,000 for the Waverly Baby Home of Portland to be available for the construction of a new home on condition that the institution furnish an equal amount. The bill as originally drawn asked for an \$80,000 appropriation.

Instead of the \$25,000 annually for three years asked by the state chamber of commerce for agricultural promotion the committee approved \$25,000 for the year 1929. Representative Collier moved that \$25,000 a year for three years be allowed, but Senator Kuck amended this to one year only, and the amendment was accepted by the committee.

The university of Oregon infirmity question was again before the committee upon Representative Norvell's motion that the previous adverse action be reconsidered, but the committee defeated it again last night.

## NORTH POWDER CAR WRECKED NEAR UNION

By Mrs. Ethel Forsstrom (Observer Correspondent)

NORTH POWDER, Ore., (Spe-

## He'll Christen The Maharajah's Baby



The daughter newly born to abdicated Maharajah of Indore and his American wife, formerly Miss Nancy Miller, of Seattle, Washington, will be christened in the Hindu faith. The ceremony will be performed in Paris by Pandit Vishnu Karandikar, above, high priest of the Hindu religion in Europe.

Floyd Walk wrecked his car just this side of Union Saturday night, hitting a telephone pole. Mr. Walk received slight injuries and Harry Huffman received a cut in the head.

The two younger children of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gorham were taken to the hospital in Baker with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Olive Miller motored to Pendleton Thursday.

The masquerade dance given by Pearson and Cavender was well attended. The first prize was awarded to Arthur Correll and Lucille Hudson second prize going to Ethel Jones and Bud Jones.

The Ladies' Aid society held a public dinner in the Kelsey-Hatchinson building Friday. A large crowd was present to enjoy the dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Moore motored to La Grande Friday.

Violet Parker visited in Baker Saturday.

Johnnie Gildson is visiting his parents. John has been in the employ of the P. F. E. Co. at Carlin, Nev.

Mrs. J. B. Wilson returned Sunday after a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Mercer and family at Fossil, Ore.

T. B. Garrison, of Oakland, Ore., is transacting business here.

Mrs. John Jacobs entertained the bridge club at her home Wednesday afternoon. A delicious lunch was served. First prize was won by Lois Hudson, consolation to Doris Wilson. Those present were, Alta Coughenour, Mrs. Riorson, Ruby Irvine, Doris and Margaret Wilson, Leah McGrath, Stella Garrison, Lois Hudson, Amy Lee, Stellan White, Lola Ballard, Eva Johnson, Blanche Forsstrom, Mrs. Johnson Mrs. Riggs and Mrs. Graham.

John Jacobs returned from Portland Friday after spending a week in the city.

William Neuman is ill at his home here.



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### Indian Pedestrians

As a whole, the American Indians never had any form of transportation except foot, there never being horses for all. Despite the great distances they walked, they never had corns, bunions, falling arches or other modern foot troubles.

### Trailing "Brer Rabbit"

The older the rabbit track the colder it gets and the dog usually smells a small length of it and decides in which direction the rabbit has gone. Dogs probably use the hunting instinct as well as the sense of smell in determining the direction the rabbit has taken.

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