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CATTLE DIE IN BARN FIRE ON FLORAS CREEK

Geo. Edwards Loses Stock and Equipment—Hay Just Unloaded.

Statehouse, Salem, March 18—In the wee sma' hours of Sunday morning, 3:01 to be exact, the speaker's gavel banged down a sine die adjournment ending the 41st legislative assembly. The lawmakers had been going since 9:30 Saturday morning. With the exception of two short recesses for lunch and dinner, they were in continuous session for 17½ hours, which is a real day's work. Many bills were passed during the last few hours of the session while many of the solons were snoring or too tired to know what it was all about. Scores of bills were killed by letting them stay in committee and many others met the same fate by the well known "lay on the table" motion.

The lawmakers spent many hours of the last day and night on two bills, the 2-cent a package cigaret tax, which just did get by, and the Burke wine bill, that went down to defeat by a close vote in the closing hours of the session. There is still some question among the legal minds as to the validity of the cigaret tax bill, inasmuch as the title of the bill is under question, which would rule it void if such is the case. Then, on the other hand, it is believed the governor will veto the bill. Considerable pressure is being brought to bear on Mr. Sprague by the tobacco manufacturers to do just that.

Here is a short summary of the activities of the 1941 session up to the time of adjournment.

House Senate	
Bills introduced	562 408
House bills passed	344 275
Senate bills passed	236 284
House bills defeated	66 14
Senate bills defeated	9 33
H.B. died in committee	57 39
S. B. died in committee	15 61
Other meas. introduced	51 65
Memorials, etc., passed	64 62
Bills signed by gov.	167 121
Bills vetoed by gov.	3 1
Bills becoming law without governor's signature	11

You will probably remember this column, under date of February 6, predicted a total of 975 house and senate bills would be introduced and that the session would last 59 days. Well, folks, we came mighty close. A total of 970 bills were dropped into the hopper. We missed it by five bills; and the session went to 62 days. We missed this guess by three.

Senate bill 53, the steelhead fish bill which has been signed by the governor, will have the referendum tacked on it by the commercial fishermen. This means a state-wide vote on the measure by the people a year from this coming November. In the meantime the commercial fishermen can keep right on fishing until the people have said yes or no. However, the night clubs were not so lucky. Their bill had the emergency clause tacked on it, which makes it operative when the governor signs it. So the "hot night spots" can't invoke the referendum. From now on they are under the control of the liquor commission, who can say whether or not they are to receive a license to operate; and it's a cinch the said commission will say "no" in many cases.

The lawmakers worked 22 days overtime, and received a total of \$120, which is \$1.93 per day for their labor. The single exception to this average remuneration was Harris Ellsworth, Roseburg newspaper man, who was appointed to succeed Senator Clark, deceased. Ellsworth arrived at the capitol at 3 o'clock the afternoon prior to adjournment, was sworn in and, under the law, was entitled to draw mileage, at least a day's pay, a set of Oregon codes valued at \$60, stationery and stamps. Not a bad wage for one day's work.

The writer of this column has enjoyed the opportunity afforded by it to report the highlights of the legislative session and trusts subscribers to this paper have found equal enjoyment in reading it. Here's hoping we may have like opportunity in the future.

GINGHAM, OVERALL DANCE IS MARCH 26

The Rebekah social club of Gold Beach will hold a Gingham and Overall dance on Wednesday, Mar. 26. Festivities will begin at 9 p. m. in the Masonic hall.

Admission will be twenty-five cents and refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome.

Sixteen head of cattle, sets of harness and other articles of farm equipment were destroyed when fire of unknown origin consumed the large barn on the George Edwards farm on upper Floras creek, Monday, March 10, according to information brought to Bandon later in the week by a neighboring farmer.

In the late afternoon Edwards returned to the farm with a truckload of baled hay for his cattle. The hay was unloaded at the barn and Edwards went to the house for supper. It was while he was eating supper that the fire was discovered, but the entire barn is said to have been aflame and the cattle could not be reached.

The Edwards farm was formerly known as the old Gallier place, having been the home of one of Bandon's pioneer families.

CATTLE TESTING PROGRESSES IN NORTHERN CURRY

The T. B. and Bangs Disease testing program now being carried out by federal veterinarians in Curry county is progressing slowly in the northern part of the county with only two veterinarians working.

Doctors Russ and McQueen, making their headquarters at Kelly's Villa Auto Court north of Port Orford, estimated that it will take two weeks more to complete the testing in that community. Local small herd owners are advised to file their request for testing with these men to make sure that their family cow is not overlooked. There is no cost to the owner in connection with the testing.

Additional federal veterinarians will be sent into the county to complete the testing in the central and southern part in the very near future, according to County Agent R. M. Knox, who has released this progress report.

PORT ORFORD BREVITIES

Tony Luchene, member of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, now stationed at Newport, spent the weekend in Port Orford visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Wilson have a new 1941 Chevrolet coupe.

Don Douglas was here last week to move his family up to Seattle where he now is employed.

Alma Leith has been working at Perkins' Variety during the past week while Mrs. Nick Perkins and daughter Jane have been in Myrtle Point.

Harold Crowther spent the week end here from Gardiner.

A large number of Port Orford people attended the dance in the Riverton high school gym Saturday night.

Frank Sutton returned the first of last week from Panama where he was enlisted in the army.

Mrs. Clarence Campbell spent the weekend in Gardiner.

Pat Moyer and Faye Crowther went to the show in Coquille Monday night.

Dorothy Johnson is home from Oregon State College to spend the Spring vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Johnson.

Frank Tichenor returned Monday night from Salem where he was doorkeeper at the state legislature.

Mr. and Mrs. James Croxall of Bandon were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Morsing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Voss have moved to Port Orford from Tucson, Arizona, and are residing in the MacDonald house.

High bowlers during the past week at the Pot o' Gold were Dorothy Baird, 169, and G. L. Stevenson, 198. Frances Moyer and S. A. Laurance were second high and Dorothy Marsh and Tracy Corbin, third high.

Grace Edwards, Crescent City, was accompanied by Mrs. Ernest Philpott to Portland last week where they spent the weekend.

Piercy Sweet of Bandon was a Port Orford visitor Wednesday.

Wool Pool Plans Made For '41 Sale

300,000 Pounds Are Estimated in Year's Choice Wool Crop

An estimated 300,000 pounds of wool will be included in the 1941 Curry County wool pool according to plans made by the wool pool committee early this week, according to an announcement made by Steve Spoerl, Port Orford, chairman of the committee which was named for this purpose at the annual meeting of the Curry County Livestock association.

A membership agreement very similar to the one used last year, but with some improvements was drawn up. It is being placed in the hands of last year's pool managers for circulation and signatures in each community.

SHEEPMEN WILL SIGN MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

James White, Langlois; Bob McKenzie, Port Orford; Geo. Fromm, Gold Beach; William Crook, Pistol River, and Joseph Pedrioli, Harbor, have copies of the membership agreement and will contact sheepmen in their respective communities. After this sign up has been completed in each community according to the membership agreement, Spoerl will call a countywide meeting before May 1 for the election of 1941 pool managers. The membership agreement can be amended at this general meeting by majority vote of those attending.

The membership agreement committee met at the county agent's office in Gold Beach Monday afternoon.

RESIGNS POSITION

Mrs. Pete Knorr has resigned her position in the county agent's office in Gold Beach to move to Marshfield where her husband is employed. She left Sunday.

Miss Frances Miller, formerly of Gold Beach, who has been living in San Francisco, has been employed in Mrs. Knorr's place.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Britton of Coquille, former residents of Port Orford, are the parents of a nine and a fourth pound baby girl born March 15. The young lady has been named Margaret Ann.

Miss Frances Weaver and Miss Audrey Barbee, Sixes school teachers, spent the weekend in Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Morsing were Sunday callers in Coquille and Myrtle Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Strahan drove George Tribbey to Hamilton Field Sunday. They were accompanied by Mrs. George Collins and Georgia and Roderick McKenzie.

Jane Perkins returned Monday from Myrtle Point where her father is seriously ill in the hospital to continue her school work.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Miller of Gladstone visited with the Douglas Johnsons Wednesday. Mr. Miller is the district attorney of Clackamas county.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haines were Coquille visitors on Wednesday.

Mrs. Clarence Campbell was hostess to the Tuesday Bridge club this week. Luncheon was served at the Seaside Grill. High score was made by Mrs. Nick Marsh and second high by Mrs. Charles Brooks.

K. V. Lively of Bates, Lively and Pearson insurance agency of Portland was in Port Orford on business Wednesday.

Herbert Lopez and family moved into the Hamlet on Tuesday.

Reeves Taylor and W. W. Funk, Sacramento, were business visitors in Marshfield Wednesday.

Mrs. Ollie Dobbema entertained her bridge club Thursday of last week with a dessert bridge luncheon. Mrs. Roy Babel received high score and Mrs. Charles Weaver, second high.

Mrs. Lorna Lacey returned early this week from a three weeks' vacation.

The A. A. Dimmick family moved Saturday into the White House in the Hamlet.

Mayor Gilbert E. Gable left Wednesday for Portland.

MARY RICE GETS HIGH SCORE PRIZE AT PINOCHELE PARTY

Mrs. Mary Rice, principal of the Port Orford grade school, was the recipient of the grand prize awarded for highest cumulative score made during the winter at the Legion Auxiliary pinocchle card parties.

The prize, a quilt made by Auxiliary members, was awarded Mrs. Rice Thursday evening at the card party. Playing will continue on alternate Thursday evenings at the Legion hall.

GIRL SCOUT LEADERS ORGANIZE THURSDAY

Girl Scout leaders met Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Roy Corson for the purpose of organizing the leaders into a regular leaders' association.

Mrs. Bruce Cawley, Mrs. Charles Brooks, Mrs. Marvin Cooley, Mrs. Norman Morsing, Mrs. Donna Churchill, Miss Helen Lindberg and Mrs. Corson were present.

Mott Writes On Highway

Of interest to Port Orford people will be the following letter received by the Port Orford chamber of commerce from Representative Mott. The letter was received by the local organization in answer to an inquiry regarding the commencement of highway work between Port Orford and Hubbards creek.

Although Mott gives no definite assurance that this section will receive federal funds for relocating and rebuilding the highway, many local persons believe that construction will begin within 30 days.

Mott's letter of March 4 is reprinted below:

Port Orford Chamber of Commerce, Port Orford, Oregon.

Dear Sirs:

Thank you very much for your letter of February 18th, inclosing an Associated Press dispatch in the Oregonian of February 16th quoting me on the proposed defense highway legislative program.

The Commissioner of Public Roads has filed a report recommending appropriation of \$287,000 for the purpose of building access roads, tactical roads and post war roads and for building up to the military requirements the sub-standard portion of the highways which the War Department has designated as roads of primary military importance.

The House Committee on Roads, of which I am a member, will meet within the next few days to consider the Commissioner's report and to frame a bill putting his recommendations into legislative effect. Just what formula will be worked out or what roads will be included in the initial phase of the program has yet to be determined. Highway No. 99 obviously must receive immediate consideration in any program adopted because it is a road of first strategic importance from the military angle and, in event of war, it would have to accommodate the bulk of military transportation between San Diego Bay and Puget Sound.

When the Committee begins its hearings we will have testimony from both the War Department witnesses and witnesses from the Bureau of Roads as to the comparative military strategic importance of all roads on the west coast. Whether the military importance of Highway No. 101 is found to warrant the immediate expenditure upon it of defense highway funds or not, I can assure you that the enactment of the proposed defense highway legislation will be of considerable benefit to this road, because if the major portion of Oregon's allotment of defense highway funds should be expended on Highway No. 99 that will enable the State of Oregon to expend more of its Federal Aid funds on other roads within the State, including Highway No. 101.

I am very glad indeed to have your letter and the information contained in it and you may be assured I will do everything possible to see that the roads in your section of the State receive due and proper consideration under any legislation which may be adopted, and I trust you will continue to keep in touch with me on this matter.

Very cordially yours,
JAMES W. MOTT.

Local Mill Operations Resumed

Opening Relieves Unemployment as 80 Men Return to Jobs

Nearly eighty men were back to work at the Trans-Pacific mill this week. Sawing operations began on Monday morning, and the planning crew was put to work on Wednesday.

The mill is using but one shift at present, but it is believed two shifts will be employed in the near future.

PORT ORFORD TAKES OUT MILLION FEET OF LUMBER

The S. S. Port Orford was loaded last week and left late Saturday for the south with nearly a million feet of lumber. Opening of the mill was set earlier for March 4 but was delayed because of difficulty in shipping lumber in stormy weather.

Although full details have not been released, it was announced the last of February that the mill would open under new ownership and management. The mill, dock and shipping facilities, including the steamer Port Orford, were reported to have been sold to a new group with continued participation of some of the former owners.

A. A. Dimmick, who for several years has been manager of the Standard Battery and Separator company's operations in Curry county, is general manager under the new ownership.

Improvements are being made on the dock and the dock yard is being planked, it was reported this week.

SURPRISE PARTY

HONORS MISS SWEET ON HER BIRTHDAY

Miss Effie Sweet was honored Tuesday of last week with a surprise birthday party at her home. Guests were teachers from the Port Orford grade and high schools and the Sixes school.

Present were Mrs. Mary Rice, Mrs. Lorraine Dunbar, Mrs. Donna Churchill, Mrs. Dora Grant, Miss Ruth Clark, Miss Alice Mulloy, Miss Frances Weaver and Miss Audrey Barbee. Mrs. A. P. Sweet was hostess.

LANGLOIS NEWS BRIEFS

ANNIVERSARY IS OBSERVED
Campfire Girls in Langlois are observing the first anniversary of their organization this week with many activities. On Friday night of this week the girls are honoring their mothers with a banquet. Miss Lucille Lambert is the guardian.

MARCH HARES CELEBRATE
Hosts and hostesses to friends and townspeople at a card party Saturday night in the W. O. W. building in Langlois will be a group of local citizens who have their birthdays in March. They have announced that the party is open to the public and everyone is welcome.

LOGGING STARTS ON FLORAS
Logging operations were begun by Charles Brooks and Paul Wagner on upper Floras creek last week. Hauling will begin soon it is reported.

STUDENTS GET AWARDS
County Agent R. M. Knox was at Langlois high school Wednesday of last week to give pins and awards to local students for outstanding 4-H club work.

LANGLOIS LOCALS
Mrs. Frank Brown has returned from the Gold Beach hospital where she recently underwent a major operation.

Mrs. Bertha Weber of Denmark was honored Sunday with a family birthday dinner.

Mrs. C. R. Sydnam and Dick and Johnny Bjerg spent the week end in Roseburg visiting relatives.

Mrs. Fred C. McNelly of Coquille, head of the Coos county farm, was a Langlois visitor recently. Mrs. McNelly makes fre-

DECLAMATION CONTEST WILL BE HELD APRIL 4 IN LANGLOIS GYM

Announcement was made this week by Miss Ruth Clark, Port Orford high school principal, that the county declamatory contest scheduled to be held in Port Orford April 4 will be held in Langlois.

The meeting place was changed to Langlois because acoustics are better there and there is not the difficulty in making seating arrangements that there is locally, Miss Clark stated.

HARBOR GRANGE IS HOST MARCH 15 TO CURRY POMONA

Henry Adolphsen and the Curry County Pomona Grange matched dollar for dollar in providing three scholarships to 4-H club Summer School, according to Fred Adams, master of the Pomona Grange, who announced a very successful meeting of Pomona as guest of the Harbor Grange at Harbor last Saturday. Good attendance from all parts of the county made this meeting a success.

The invitation of the Sixes Grange was accepted for the next meeting which by unanimous vote was changed from the regular date of June 21 to June 28 on account of a conflict with the State Grange convention being held the week of June 16.

The three scholarships will be awarded on the basis of outstanding 4-H club records and all club members in the county are eligible to compete for these awards. 4-H club summer school will be held as usual at Corvallis June 9 to the 20th, according to County Agent R. M. Knox who also attended the Pomona Grange meeting at Harbor.

The lecturer's program was very well conducted by Mrs. Docia Sweet. Henry Adolphsen and Les Hutton made their debuts as soloists with marked success. It is reported. The very excellent potluck noonday luncheon provided the usual good feed enjoyed by all good Grangers.

CURRY LEGION POST MEETING HELD IN GOLD BEACH SATURDAY

Curry County Post No. 76 of the American Legion and the Auxiliary met Saturday night in Gold Beach for a regular business meeting followed by a social hour.

Attending from Port Orford were Mr. and Mrs. William Dobbins, Mr. and Mrs. William Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Koch, Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Baird, Mrs. Leila McClure, Harold Robinson and Harvey Shindlecker.

SIXES NEWS

Eight members of the Sixes Grange attended the Pomona meeting at Harbor Saturday.

An extra large crowd enjoyed the old time dance Saturday night. Another will be held March 29.

The regular business meeting of Sixes Grange will be held Saturday night of this week.

The Sixes teachers made a business trip to Salem over the week end.

Miss Weaver and Miss Barber were guests at a surprise birthday dinner at the Art Sweet home in honor of Miss Effie Sweet's birthday.

Richard Buffington recently returned to Gold Beach after an absence of several weeks. He had been to New York on business.

Old Sourpuss says: If it's too pleasant it ain't good for you.

City Forum Discusses Problems

Next Meeting Is Scheduled for Night Of Tuesday, May 6

Views, opinions and hopes in regard to present and future problems affecting the welfare of Port Orford and its residents were brought into the open at the meeting Tuesday night in the Legion hall of the Port Orford City Forum.

After calling the meeting to order, Mayor Gilbert E. Gable turned the chair over to Charles Haines, representative of the Port Orford chamber of commerce, who acted as chairman.

JUDGE TICHENOR TALKS ON WORK OF LEGISLATURE
Judge F. B. Tichenor, who returned early this week from Salem where he was doorkeeper at the state legislature, recounted his impressions of "behind the scenes at the state legislature".

The future of the fishing industry in Port Orford as it may be changed and determined by the Japanese current as it comes closer to this coast was reported by Mayor Gable. The mayor has been making an extensive study of the current's change and contacted Dr. Rogers of the Smithsonian institute who has been directing a survey of the current's change along the California coast.

REPORTS GIVEN ON LUNCH, HEALTH PROGRAMS

Other reports were made by Mrs. Lawrence Koch, who spoke as a representative of the Legion Auxiliary to ask for donations for the school children's hot lunch project; Mrs. Ed Maloy, chairman of the health group, who reported upon health activities in the county; W. C. Bullis, who requested that an ordinance be passed regulating the size of loads of wood.

W. C. Bullis and Mac Sauers were appointed as a committee by the mayor to make improvements at the pre-school.

Next meeting of the forum was set for May 6, at 8 p. m., at the Legion hall.

GOLD BEACH NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Ireland and their daughter, Corabelle, recently returned to Gold Beach from Portland. The Irelands are making ready to reopen their restaurant and auto court for the spring season.

Official word has been received that the town of Wedderburn was sold last Friday, March 14, to L. Lloyd of the Lloyd Corporation of Los Angeles. It is reported that Mr. Lloyd will not do any developing on the property for at least a year or so.

The Silver Tea held last Friday at the Sunset Inn turned out very successfully. About sixty ladies were present, and about fourteen or fifteen dollars were collected towards the fund for rebuilding the belfry tower on the church at Gold Beach.

Miss Frances Hoskins was discharged from the hospital recently and is now recovering quite rapidly at the home of her parents. Miss Hoskins had been seriously ill for the past month.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Todd of Seattle were in Gold Beach recently to attend to matters pertaining to their property at Squaw Valley.

Mrs. Edith Smith of Agness was a Gold Beach visitor over last week end.

Mrs. Ellen Strowbridge, R. N., has given up her duties at the Gold Beach hospital for the next three months. She plans to take a post graduate course in Portland.

A. W. Strouger of Portland has been in Gold Beach for the past several days in connection with the sale of the Wedderburn property.

Among those home from Oregon State College for the spring vacation are Miss Maxine Sutton, Sonny Buffington and Jim Grimes.

Joseph Parker and his two daughters, Naomi and Ada, recently returned from New York City where Mr. Parker went to attend to business affairs.

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