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REVIEW OF WORK OF OREGON LEGISLATURE

Legislature Passes \$6,000,000 Bonding Measure to Build State Roads.

Legislature Exceeds 49-Day Limit for Session—New Irrigation Code Passed—Six Per Cent Tax Limitation Observed—Appointments Confirmed—Delinquent Tax Law Amended—To Vote on Land Grant Tax—Anti-Cigarette Law Passed.

Salem.—Owing to the congestion of business in the senate, brought about largely by the fight over what is known as the paving bill, which would bond the state for \$6,000,000 for highway purposes, the legislature was unable to complete its work Saturday and in order to clear up unfinished business of importance both houses adjourned until Monday. When the senate adjourned Saturday night about 100 bills still remained on the calendar, but the house calendar was in better shape.

Monday was the 43d day of the present session, but really only the 33d actual working day. Members get no pay after the 40th day of the session.

While the \$6,000,000 bonding measure passed the house by a vote of 32 to 27 it did so only after a spectacular battle, during which it was asserted that Governor Withycombe would veto the measure if it carried an emergency clause. This threat of a veto was eliminated, as it passed the house, leaving an opportunity to invoke the referendum.

Measure Has Hard Time Passing. When the house took up the bill for final action prospects were not bright for its passage. Several of the 38 members who had signed the measure when it was introduced were wavering. But after nearly two hours of argument and parliamentary maneuvering the bill went through substantially in the same form as originally introduced.

After blocking action on the \$6,000,000 road bond bill in the senate for several hours by voting down every motion to suspend the rules and bring it up for passage, senators opposing the bill agreed to let it come before the senate on its merits and refer it to the people for approval.

Features of Road Bond Bill. Provides for a \$6,000,000 bond issue to construct a system of highways. Bonds to carry 4 per cent interest and to be refunded by throwing all automobile license taxes into a fund for that purpose.

The highways will extend into and through every county of the state, giving Oregon one of the most comprehensive road systems of any of the states.

Administration of the funds and construction of the highways will be

under the supervision of the state highway commission and state highway engineer, provided for in the new road code which has passed both houses of the legislature.

Adjournment until Monday not only gave plenty of time for consideration of the road measure, but did away in a large part with the feverish and pell-mell rush usually incident to the final night of the session.

Few Important Measures Left. Of the 100 or more bills on the calendar when adjournment was taken Saturday night, aside from the road bonding bill, few of them were of much importance, as the two houses had acted upon all the big measures.

Among the bills passed during the session perhaps a dozen may be regarded as constructive legislation of real interest to the people of the state at large, and these affected particular lines of business or moral issues.

The measures of benefit indirectly to the general public and directly to agriculture, insurance, education, lumbering, militia, public utilities, children and morals, are:

Irrigation aided with needed code amendments; the insurance code; the military code brought into conformity with federal enactments; the grain standard adopted; the bill to enforce the bone-dry law; rural school terms lengthened; streams opened to logging; needed revision in the highway commission law provided; cut-throat competition in public utilities prevented by passage of the certificate of public convenience bill; sterilization act passed and the anti-cigarette law strengthened.

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LINCOLN-WASHINGTON PROGRAM TOMORROW

A patriotic program in commemoration of Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays will be held in the H. S. assembly Friday, February 23. This program, in which all the grades will participate will begin at 2 o'clock. Everyone is cordially invited to attend and a special invitation is extended to the members of the G. A. R. and the W. R. C. The program is as follows:

Orchestra	Assembly
Song	Assembly
Flag Salute	Assembly
Reading	Beryl McLaughlin
Exercise	1st & 2nd grades
Song	3rd & 4th grades
Recitation	Hilda Trask
Recitation	Paul Stayton
Exercise	Cleta Peery, Genevieve Spaniol, Marie Weddle
Recitation	Cecil Schaefer
Chorus	H. S.
Reading	A. D. Gardner Jr.
Orchestra	

About fifteen of the Loyal Sons of the Christian church and a few invited guests enjoyed a party at the Lee Tate home Saturday evening. The time was spent playing games and about 10 o'clock dainty refreshments were served.

WASHINGTON Born Feb. 22, 1732



1917 185 Years since Washington was Born
128 Years since his first Inauguration
118 Years since his Death

TAKES OVER THEATRE

C. E. Taylor, manager of the Electric Light Company here, has bought the lease on the Star Theatre of Mrs. Waltmeyer, and took charge of it last night at "The Eagle's Wings." Mr. Taylor will no doubt make a good theatre man and will keep the standard up where it has always been.

NOTICE

Stayton fishermen and others will take notice that the waters of Thomas Creek, and tributaries in Linn county, have been closed to fishing until March 1st, 1917. These creeks are to be re-stocked with trout, and after the above date will be open again.

Washington

Rebel and patriot, he led the way
When shackled manhood cried for
championing,
He of the breed that long had
learned to bring
The low bowed, pliant neck to scepter
sway—
The breed that worshiped the
anointed clay
And right divine attached to any
thing
Empurpled and enthroned and christened
"king."
His foe was Privilege; he won the
day.

His fathers' idols, old, unique, supreme,
These were his targets when he took
his stand
To cleanse his native country's deed
and dream,
To make sweet Freedom bloom
throughout the land—
Rebel and patriot and partisan,
Lover of Justice and his fellow man.
—James C. McNally.

"MRS. WIGGS" DRAWS A CROWDED HOUSE

The high school auditorium was crowded almost to the limit last Friday night to see and hear the much talked of play "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch." That the same was fully up to expectations was proven by the fact that dozens of people declared they were ready to go back the next night and witness it over again.

Space forbids us to mention all the good ones who took part, suffice to say that they ALL played their parts like veterans. Miss Kearns as "Mrs. Wiggs" was the very personification of the motherly woman with a houseful of children, but not so crowded but that she had room for Lovey Mary and her little friend.

Freda Allis as "Miss Hazy" was just too utterly too—absolutely beyond description, and so excruciatingly funny that she will probably be nicknamed "Miss Hazy" for years to come.

Roy Follis as "Mr. Stubbins" the recalcitrant husband is the only and original "hayseed" in or near Stayton, and was all to the mustard.

And then there was Wanda Brown as "Lovey Mary", Helen Staab as "Miss Lucy", Guy Hurt as "Chris Hazy", A. D. Gardner Jr. as "Mr. Schultz", and all the rest even to the Sunday school class. Goodness gracious you should have been there (and probably you were) and have seen the whole aggregation—the best school play ever put on in Stayton.

Mrs. J. A. Etzel of Fern Ridge left Monday for Grants Pass for an extended visit with friend there.

THE WA HI CLUB

The members of the Club met at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tate on Wednesday February 14. As it was Valentine's Day the house was decorated accordingly, red hearts everywhere, relieved by ferns and Oregon grape. After the business session of the club was over, the rest of the afternoon was spent visiting, fancy work, and music, both vocal and instrumental and last but not by any means least, Miss Genevieve Patton gave us "Aunt Sophronia at the Opera" which was rendered in a very pleasing manner, and was greatly enjoyed by all present. But the best was given in the afternoon's entertainment when Mrs. Tate, at the usual hour, invited us to the dining room, where a pretty sight met the eye. The long table was beautifully decorated by a large brass basket filled with Oregon grape encircled with red ribbons trimmed with hearts of the same color, in various sizes, from which streamers of the same hue were fastened to the pretty favors at each plate.

A splendid lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by Miss Patton, to which we all did ample justice. But time flies, and we must go, so after thanking our hostess for a jolly afternoon we left, and the last thing we saw was the beaming face of our host, as he waved us a hearty good-bye.

Those visiting us at this time were: Mesdames Downing and King, Miss Patton and Masters Asahel Tate and J. T. Hunt Jr.

A member.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The illustrated lecture on the child labor and health insurance question by C. E. Lenon of Portland, drew a large audience to the Methodist Church last Sunday night and Mr. Lockhart is authority for the statement that another treat is in store for next Sunday evening when Attorney Luther B. Mahone of Portland will speak here. The Portland attorney will also make a short talk to the Epworth League on his experiences in Mexico. It is hoped to have two addresses from Mr. Mahone in which case will be delivered on Monday night, and one of the two addresses will be entitled "The Supremacy of America," the other will be a non partisan appeal for united action on the part of church members and others, on certain lines in the interest of the state as the Portland attorney sees it. Just which lecture will be given Sunday night is not yet decided upon, but both will be worth hearing, states the minister. In the morning at the M. E. Church the minister will speak on the subject of "What Does God Require of Us?"

SPECIAL VALUE WORK SHOES

Although the price of leather is increasing every day, we have been fortunate enough to secure a special line of Men's Work Shoes to close out—

These shoes are full stock ELK tan, six inch top, two full oak soles nailed and stitched, black shade, exceptional value at **\$3.95**
Rubberized Rain Coats at One-Half Price

\$15.00 Values
\$12.00 Values

\$7.50
\$6.25

\$10.00 Values
\$ 7.00 Values

\$5.00
\$3.50

SALEM WOOLEN MILLS STORE

SALEM,

OREGON

A Loaded Wagon Never Makes Much Noise

But an empty wagon can be heard rattling all over the street

When we sold oranges at 10c per dozen, others showed them in the window at 12½. Now we have a lot not on a special for Saturday, but until our stock is all sold. Sweet California Juicy Seedless Navel large size oranges at 3 DOZ. FOR 25 CENTS. A bait some will say, but we assure you we make no Saturday Special in order to bait you, but when we make a price same will last until stock is sold, for if we can sell an article for a certain price on Saturday, we can also sell at the same price any day of the week. We do pay cash for our stock and buy large quantities; therefor we can sell you what you want at the right price.

Give us a call and be convinced. **3000 pounds of Oyster Shell at a low price. 30c per dozen for eggs**
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