

A WARM SESSION IN COUNTY COURT

THE LIVE WIRES STIR UP THE ROAD SUPERVISORS BY MEETING WITH COUNTY COURT.

NOT SO FAR APART IN POLICY

When Once All Interests Are Made to Understand What Each Wants—Several Short Addresses.

Declaring that the Live Wires of the Commercial Club were trying to array the members of the county court against the country in favor of the city by the contemplated appointment of a roadmaster or road engineer, J. W. Egan, a Methodist minister and a former Willamette River steamboat pilot, created a mild sensation yesterday afternoon. He was called to account by O. D. Eby, H. E. Cross and others. Mr. Eby declaring that nothing is further from the purpose of the Commercial Club than to stir up strife between the city and country and laying stress upon the fact that Oregon City is continually trying to get into closer touch with the people of the rural areas.

PREXY WOULD EXTEND HIS COLLEGE FIELD

PRESIDENT KERR, OF O. A. C. WANTS MONEY FOR EXPERIMENT STATIONS.

COORVALLES, Ore., Feb. 4.—President Kerr, of the Oregon Agricultural College, estimates in his biennial report, just being printed, that the farm crops of the Willamette Valley can be increased from 25 to 240 per cent by irrigation, and that the hundreds of thousands of acres of fertile lands in the eastern part of the State can be reclaimed and made highly productive by dry farming.

SINGLE TAX HAS BAD DAY AT SALEM

SENATE VOTES UNANIMOUSLY TO REPEAL SINGLE TAX BY COUNTIES LAW.

FRIENDS OF LAW CALLED ANARCHISTS

Two Progressive Senators—Dimick and McCullough—Not Only Vote Against It But Rail At It.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 7.—(Spl.)—The Senate today voted unanimously to repeal the single tax by counties law. Not only did the amendment repealing the law pass unanimously but its repeal was championed by two Senators who are considered progressive and for everything that is new and novel—Dimick and McCullough.

M'Loughlin Measure HAS UNANIMOUS VOTE

APPROPRIATION BILL IS PASSED IN SENATE AND MAY SOON GO TO GOVERNOR.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 7.—(Staff Correspondence.)—The McLoughlin Home bill of Senator Dimick carrying with it an appropriation of \$12500 passed the Senate yesterday without a dissenting vote, duplicating in all particulars the thing occurred in the upper branch of the state legislature.

23 Bills Killed in 23 Minutes.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 8.—(Spl.)—In an many minutes in the House this afternoon 23 bills. None was of great importance. One proposed a reduction from \$10 to \$25 in the license of non-resident hunters. Another authorized the County Judge of Multnomah county to appoint a deputy to officiate in his absence. One of the bills was Cottle's Sunday closing law.

WANTS AMOUNT CUT.

Jones Only Wants \$25,000 to Go to Astoria.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 7.—(Spl.)—When the bill carrying \$50,000 appropriation for Astoria was called in the House today Representative Jones, of Clackamas, raised an objection to the amount and asked to have it cut in two. After a hard fight the Astorians won and the \$50,000 was retained.

OIL SHOWING GOOD AT STONE WELL

WELL IS SUCCESSFULLY SHOT ON MONDAY, A HEAVY CHARGE OF DYNAMITE BEING USED.

OIL FORCING ITSELF TO SURFACE

Pressure Must Be Very Great to Push It Up Through 150 Feet of Sand and Debris.

There is joy in Stone over the prospect in connection with the indications that the last few hours have brought to the surface in and around the oil well being drilled in at that place. As was told in the columns of the Enterprise the first of the week, the well was shot on Monday. An attempt was made to shoot the well last week, and all possible precautions were taken to make the shooting a success, but for some cause there was no explosion when the current was turned on.

EXPERT ON GROUND AT STONE OIL WELL

FRIEND OF WELL SAYS WRONG EXPLOSIVE IS BEING TRIED—RECOMMENDS GLYCERINE.

STONE, Ore., Feb. 2.—(Spl.)—Well, there is still great activity around our oil well here and the interest in its success—or lack of success—is still at fever heat. There was some little disappointment when the attempt to shoot it turned out to be barren of results. What we wanted to see here was a stream of oil to mount high up in the air and run down and over a twenty acre field or two.

WILL DOUBLE TRACK THE MAIN LINE U. P.

SEVENTY MILLION TO BE SPENT WITHIN FIVE YEARS FOR DOUBLE TRACKING SYSTEM.

PORTLAND, Feb. 4.—(Spl.)—The determination of the Board of Directors of the Harriman lines to spend \$75,000,000 in double tracking the western roads of the system and in other improvements, which has just been announced, means a great deal to the Pacific Northwest. Bonds are to be issued, it is expected, to meet the cost of the betterments.

OLD GUARD BEAT BY SENATOR BORAH

CALLS UP HIS RESOLUTION TO ELECT UNITED STATES SENATORS BY POPULAR VOTE.

BY PERSISTENCE SEES IT ADOPTED

Every Conceivable Scheme Resorted to in An Effort to Shoulder Him Out of the Way.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—(Spl.)—Through the persistence of Senator Borah he has finally succeeded in getting his constitutional amendment permitting the election of U. S. Senators by popular vote before the Senate in a way that promises a fair chance for adoption. It stands as a finished business, and that means an early consideration.

INSTITUTE HELD CANBY SATURDAY

A STRONG PROGRAM IS GIVEN WITH PAPERS BY TEACHERS FROM CLACKAMAS.

SUPERINTENDENT GARY AS CHAIRMAN

Ladies of Canby Entertain the Institute Members Right Royally—Gladstone is Next Meeting Place.

The teachers of Clackamas county had a successful meeting at Canby Saturday, Feb. 4.

PULLS NAME DOWN.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—(Spl.)—By request the name of E. B. Colwell was restored to the list of Senate appointees and then President Taft withdrew the nomination so that there might be no reflection on the character of Colwell, who is Taft's appointee for U. S. Marshall at Portland.

PASSENGER SERVICE TO PORTLAND IS CUT

CARS TO BE OPERATED LESS FREQUENTLY BETWEEN CITIES AFTER 9 O'CLOCK.

The passenger service on the Portland Railway Light & Power Co. between Oregon City and Portland, has been curtailed during the evening hours. For some time cars have been operated out of Oregon City every half hour after 9 P. M., the last car leaving for Portland at 11 P. M., and a half-hour service has been maintained out of Portland after 9 P. M., the last car leaving for Oregon City at midnight. Commencing next Wednesday cars will leave Portland at 9 P. M., then 10 P. M., 11:15 P. M. and 12 midnight. Cars will leave Oregon City every 30 minutes until 9:07 P. M., then 10:07 and 11:07 P. M.

FAMINE INCREASING.

Thousands of Starving People Crowding to the Cities for Aid.

NANKIN, China, Feb. 4.—(Spl.)—Fully 30,000 starving people are gathering outside the walls seeking relief, having come here from the famine districts. The local authorities are nearly swamped by the influx.

Peary May Have to Wait.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Congress may fall to act at this session on the bill to promote Robert E. Peary to be a Rear-Admiral. The bill was reported on the private calendar today, but consideration was postponed.

SUSPENSION BRIDGE IS PERFECTLY SAFE

JUDGE BEATIE HAS ENGINEER TO MAKE EXAMINATION OF BIG STRUCTURE.

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The president's report was presented and read during the interim given the credentials committee. Principal among the items cited in the report were these facts: All business pertaining to the past year has been settled; all premiums and warrants have been paid; we have a good standing in the community.

We have made a number of improvements within the past year, all of which have been paid for, among which are these: New machinery hall, new sheep barn, new poultry house and equipment, new judges' arena, new double gates for the main entrance, new secretary's quarters and office, new speakers' platform and new fence around the camp grounds, at a cost of \$517.

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