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BIG SUM PLEDGED FOR FAIR BUILDING

LEGISLATURE IS TOLD THAT OREGON SHOULD APPROPRIATE \$500,000

DELEGATIONS APPEAL TO COMMITTEE

Chairman Announces that Amount Will be as Nearly Adequate as can be Given

SALEM, Or., Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Delegations from Portland and 27 other cities and towns in Oregon tonight took Salem by storm, captured the State House and held it until they had assured the members of joint Senate and House committees on ways and means that the state will support an appropriation of between \$400,000 and \$500,000 for the adequate representation at the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

Unbounded enthusiasm prevailed from the time the various delegations from the state entered Salem until the speakers presented the different sections and said their sections of the state would stand by the legislature in an adequate appropriation and had taken their night trains for home.

The largest delegation was that from Portland, but it was by no means more in earnest or more enthusiastic than the others. Every one present seemed filled with the desire to have Oregon represented at the great exposition in San Francisco in 1915 and all were outspoken in the belief that anything in the way of so-called economy at this time undoubtedly would mean a very poor idea being conveyed to the world as to the interest of Oregon people in what was declared to be a celebration of one of the greatest achievements in history, the completion of the big canal that is to bind the Pacific to the Atlantic and bring the Coast into its own.

At the conclusion of the meeting which was held in the House chamber, and at which State Senator Perkins, of Multnomah County, presided, he pledged himself and the members of the committee on ways and means to an appropriation as nearly adequate as can consistently be made, taking into consideration the many things for which funds will be asked this session. Great cheers greeted his statements, and the various delegations left amid enthusiasm.

SALEM, Jan. 30. (Special.)—The following is the substance of several important bills:

House bill No. 191, introduced by Mr. Mitchell, provides for an appropriation of \$22,000 to provide for two years' aid to the Oregon Social Hygiene Society, in order that it may carry on an educational campaign throughout the state in the interest of social and sex hygiene and for the prevention of social evils and diseases. The bill provides for eight quarterly payments to be made to the secretary of the society, which is to file an annual report of its work with the Secretary of State.

House bill No. 196, introduced by Chris Schuebel, provides that a man may kill any kind of game birds or animals on his own land at any time of the year without regard to the present game laws. This law would repeal any existing law that might conflict with the new one and a man might go out into his field and kill wild game animals or birds at any time he might choose.

Senate bill No. 150, introduced by Senator Day, provides that any person found guilty of circulating any misleading statements or communications which are untrue shall be guilty of misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than \$10 nor more than \$50 or be imprisoned in the county jail for not more than twenty days. This act amends a bill of the same nature, but not as extensive, and is aimed at misleading statements in newspapers advertising columns.

SALEM, Jan. 31.—(Special.)—House bill No. 319, introduced by Representative Schuebel, provides for making each county judge ex-officio fire warden in his own county, that is, that every person who wishes to burn slash or timber must obtain permission from the judge of his county instead of from the fire warden as at present. This bill is a substitute for one that was introduced earlier in the session by Mr. Schuebel, which provided for making each road supervisor an ex-officio fire warden and which was defeated.

House bill No. 335, introduced by Mr. Carpenter, provides that moving picture shows shall not be operated in wooden buildings over which people may live or room for a longer time than six months after the bill becomes a law unless the show room shall be made fire proof by metal lath and heavy wooden walls not less than four inches thick. It further provides that such a wooden building must stand on at least two streets or roadways, and have large exits on each street. If the building seats more than 350 it must have an additional exit for every 100 persons. Any motion picture theater in a one-story wooden building must be separated from the adjoining buildings on two sides and one end by cement side walks five feet wide. For violation of any of the above provisions a fine of from \$100 to \$250 is introduced.

House bill No. 318, introduced by Mr. Schuebel of Clackamas County, is an amendment to section 2368 of the Oregon Laws, and eliminates the provision by which the county courts have been able to build bridges of more than \$500 valuation without awarding a contract for the same.

BILL TO ISSUE ROAD BONDS IS PASSED

SALEM, Or., Jan. 30.—At the end of a special session lasting all this afternoon the House passed the so-called Road bill, calling for a system of bond issues by counties for the purpose of constructing public highways. The vote was 42 to 15.

Briefly put, the bill provides that each county shall have the right to issue bonds for roadbuilding purposes up to 2 per cent of its assessed valuation, that the road districts shall be represented in convention called by posting of notices, and that each district shall have a voice in the convention in this manner. When a convention is called, the roads to be improved shall be discussed and whatever action is taken shall be the guide of the county in the matter of highway improvements.

SCHOOL FUND IS ASKED BY WEST

GOVERNOR WOULD PAY \$25,822 OF IT AS SALARIES IN OTHER OFFICES

LOOKS LIKE AFFRONT TO TREASURER

Schuebel Makes Startling Charge Regarding Water Power Measure—Gill's Liquor Bill Passes

SALEM, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—A bill having for its purpose to reimburse the common school fund for disbursements which have been made from it for salaries of certain employees during the past two years, and for the equipment of the office, has been introduced in the Senate by Joseph. The bill evidently emanated from the office of Governor West. It asks for a total appropriation of \$25,822 for this purpose.

The bill seems to have arisen over difficulty that has found its way among members of the State Land Board as to whether the common school fund, or any part of it, can be used for the payment of salaries and expenses in connection with the administration of that fund.

It has been contended by the executive, as shown in the appearance of this bill, that the expenses of administration must be paid out of the general fund, and that the irreducible school fund can be used for no other purpose than for the benefit of the common schools of the state.

Now, it is contended that in the administration of the common school fund some of the salaries of clerks in the State Treasurer's office and some of the office equipment used for that purpose were paid for from the school fund, when their moneys should come from the general fund.

On the other hand, it is contended by State Treasurer Kay that if the clerks in his office should be paid from the general fund the employees in the State Land office should be so paid, and the office equipment for that office should also be paid for from the general fund.

The House today passed with one dissenting vote, that of Representative Heltzel, of Marion County, a bill by Gill of Clackamas County, giving the courts the right to send to jail for a period of not less than 60 days or more than six months, any person found to be selling intoxicating liquors without a license.

At present there is no means of sending "blind pig" operators to jail, although there is a fine attached to violation of the liquor law. Mr. Gill explained that, with this jail sentence at hand, it is probable that "blind pig" people would be slow in defying the law. He said the fine system has not troubled them much, as they can pay their fines and still make a good profit in their business.

Charging that the committee on irrigation, of the House, wished to get hold of his bill regulating the rates of payment to the state for use of water for power purposes in order to delay it, Representative Schuebel today created a mild flurry. Schuebel said it had no relation to irrigation and that, in his judgment, persons deeply interested in defeating it were endeavoring to "kill it by delay."

Representative Hagood, of Multnomah County, and other members of the House declared that it does not relate to irrigation, in that it proposes to increase by a large extent the amount to be paid to the state on water used for irrigation purposes. There was so much objection to it that it was sent to a committee with instructions to report back on it Wednesday morning. Mr. Schuebel accepted this reference with satisfaction.

MULTNOMAH CENTRAL BORROWS \$200,000

One of the largest mortgages ever filed in Clackamas County was that Thursday of the Multnomah Central Railroad Company which was taken by the Portland Trust Company of Oregon. The mortgage was for \$200,000, which is to draw six per cent interest. It will fall due in 1922. All of the money given on the mortgage will be expended in Clackamas County. The Multnomah Central proposes to build a railroad in Eastern Multnomah County and Northwestern Clackamas County along the Sandy River and in the vicinity of Mount Hood.

CHAMBERLAIN IS URGED FOR CABINET

PLAN TO GIVE HIM PORTFOLIO AND HAVE WEST APPOINTED SENATOR

TEAL CALLED VICTIM OF NEW PACT

Olcott to Succeed to Governorship and to Name Former Executive Successor of "Our George"

SALEM, Or., Feb. 2.—Through those underground wires so frequently conveying political news of the utmost importance in advance of the orthodox means of communication, word has reached the state capital that United States Senator George E. Chamberlain is billed for a Cabinet portfolio under President Woodrow Wilson.

Close on the heels of this report comes another that, when Chamberlain takes his seat with the President's advisory corps, Governor West is to resign, whereupon Secretary of State Olcott will assume the office of Executive. In addition to Secretaryship the next step in political progression would be the appointment of West by Olcott to fill the unexpired term of Chamberlain as United States Senator.

Just how the report originated is hard to gather, but that it has a substantial foundation is shown by the commotion it is causing in legislative circles at the capital and the activity in the ranks of politicians in various quarters, particularly Portland. It is said that an inkling of the plan was conveyed to an old-time politician of Portland by a member of the "inner circle" at Washington.

In the light of these reports many phases of the political situation in this state, which have caused more or less gossip but have not been clearly understood by the layman, become fraught with significance. Unquestionably, certain of them, it is said, tend strongly to lend color to the persistent rumor now in circulation.

In the first place, it is pointed out, while ostensibly supporting J. N. Teal for the office of Secretary of the Interior, Chamberlain has never called on President-elect Wilson without giving the newspaper correspondents, immediately after interviews, in which he expressed grave doubts that this important office would go to a Western man, despite the admitted desirability from the public standpoint of this part of the country receiving such representation.

It is patent that, if Chamberlain is billed for a Cabinet position; the Secretaryship of the Interior could not reasonably be expected also to go to another Western man. The history of Chamberlain leaves no room for doubt that with him it is always a case of "Our George" first and others afterward. The sincerity of his advocacy of Teal's cause has been doubted in well-informed quarters for some time.

MAN ACCUSED OF STEALING WOOD ARRESTED

Thomas Kelland, accused of stealing two cords of wood, and a saw was taken to the county court Tuesday for hearing. Judge Beale postponed the trial until next Monday morning at 10 o'clock. The wood and saw are alleged to have been stolen from a man living in Twilight.

CRAWFORD CHANGES ON HOME RULE BILL

SALEM, Or., Feb. 1.—Attorney General Crawford has reversed his former interpretation of the home rule amendment and today rendered an opinion to the effect that home rule elections cannot legally be held except on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of any year. Previously he held that such elections could be held at the time of any regular city election.

The question came up at this time on a request from Mrs. Clara M. Hoffman, corresponding secretary of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Metrolin in Crook County, for an opinion. It seems that Metrolin has been recently incorporated and as the county is dry, the wet element in the city desired to have an election held immediately under the home rule amendment.

It is held in the opinion that all provisions that apply to the local option law also apply to the home rule amendment with the exception of course as to the unit included. This brings out another point that has not been noticed, which is that the result of home rule elections cannot go into effect until the first of the following January, the same as local option elections.

According to this, it is pointed out, nothing could be gained by holding the home rule election early in the year, because if the city was voted either wet or dry the new order would not become effective until January 1. No time would be gained over holding the election at the time prescribed in November.

3 Divorces Granted.

Circuit Judge Campbell granted divorces in the following suits Saturday: Frances Larsen from Edward A. Larsen; Frederick Bombard from Catherine Bombard; Mary Lehman from Frederick Lehman and Alexander Bertrand from Lena Bertrand.

HATCHERY PROBE IS ASKED BY GILL

MASTER FISH WARDEN URGED TO MAKE COMPLETE INVESTIGATION

CLANTON WON'T MAKE STATEMENT

Schuebel and Dimick Bills Regulating Hours of Work of Labor Reported by Committee

WEST'S AMBITION IS SENATORSHIP

PLAN TO MAKE CHAMBERLAIN MEMBER OF CABINET SEEMS REASONABLE

RECESS WOULD HELP CONDITIONS

President Would Satisfy Southern Constituents by Choosing Oregon Senator for Cabinet

SALEM, Or., Feb. 4.—Placing entire credence in the report, said to have emanated directly from Washington, that President Wilson intends to name United States Senator George E. Chamberlain as a member of his cabinet, and that this will lead to the resignation of West as Governor, and his appointment to wear the Chamberlain toga by Secretary Olcott, who will succeed to the Governor's chair, Republican leaders of both Legislative branches are in a quandary.

The situation in all its aspects has been freely discussed and little else has been the topic of conversation since the report became widely disseminated yesterday morning. It is evident that the Republican members of this Legislative Assembly, however, are at a distinct disadvantage, and there is no method by which they can balk the suspected plans of the Democratic forces without damaging their own party.

The first step considered was to adjourn the Legislature until April 1, by which time President Wilson will have been inaugurated and will have assumed the reins of government and named his cabinet. It was argued that, as a United States Senator, serving by gubernatorial appointment, holds office only until the next session of the Legislature of the state from which he shall have received appointment, West's successor could be elected from Republican ranks and his tenure would be not longer than a month.

This solution of the problem which Republican leaders believe confronts them, has distinct disadvantages. In the first place, it is asserted, the election of one Republican to the United States Senate would give the balance of power to that party. That the President realizes this and would never name Chamberlain as a cabinet officer should the Oregon Legislature adjourn only to April 1, is generally conceded.

In reprisal, it is believed, the President then would refuse to name a Western man as Secretary of the Interior. That this is the position for which Chamberlain himself is slated is suspected by many, who feel that it would be better for the state to have such representation than to try to keep West out of the United States Senate. A few believe that Chamberlain is billed for a portfolio other than that of the Secretary of the Interior. Taking either horn of the dilemma, however, the politicians holding sway during this session feel that not much is to be gained now by action striking at West's political aspirations.

The consensus of opinion is that one of the reasons causing President Wilson to observe strict secrecy regarding the personnel of his cabinet is the situation which might develop in Oregon from premature publicity. There is none but admits that "Our George" is always "there with bells" when it comes to reaching for a plun and that his motive is never selfish. So far as he is concerned, they argue, neither J. N. Teal nor Will R. King need expect anything but the satisfaction of knowing that they were "mentioned" for the office of Secretary of the Interior.

By choosing Chamberlain for a cabinet position, it is admitted, President Wilson will satisfy his Southern constituents, as Chamberlain came from Mississippi and has always been in vogue and dead-weight "loyalty" did not conflict with his own personal interests. This would also eliminate from the field a radical, many of whom are clamoring for recognition from the Sunny South. If the conjectures of political leaders shall prove accurate, it is deemed unlikely that the President will name the members of his cabinet until the last minute, and probably not until March 4. Unless he should see fit for any reason to do otherwise, it is apparent that the state of unrest and anxiety among the ranks of the Republican stalwarts in Oregon will not be relieved for some time.

Wilson to Wear Top Hat.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 30.—President-elect Wilson, when asked if he had made any further plans for his inauguration, replied that he had decided to wear a silk hat when reviewing the parade. "I suppose I'll have to concede that much to custom," he said. He usually wears a felt hat.

CHANGE OF HIGHWAY ROUTE TO BE ASKED

Declaring that the route of the Pacific Highway should be on the East Side between this city and Portland, the East Side Capital Highway Association, at a meeting in the Commercial Club rooms Thursday evening adopted a resolution providing that the Highway Commission be asked to change the route from the west to the east side of the river. The meeting was well attended, representatives of Sellwood, Oregon City, Milwaukie, Oak Grove, Jennings Lodge and Gladstone being present. J. P. Kerchem, of Sellwood, president, presided, and the other officers, C. P. Morse, Jennings Lodge, vice-president; M. D. Latourrette, secretary, and Charles Risley, treasurer, were present.

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