SENATE IN SCRAP OVER FRUIT BILL

Wrangle so Heated President Threatens to Call in Sergeant-at-Arms.

ONLY 8 NEGATIVE VOTES

Horticultural Inspection Measure Finally Passes—Senate Also Approves Bill Increasing the Power of Railway Boards.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—A Senate bill providing for state regulation of horticulture and sale of fruit created so much wrangling and disturbance in the Senate this afternoon that President Ruth threatened to declare either an adjournment or summon the Sergeant-at-Arms. The ire of Metcalf of Pierce was also aroused by the quibbling over minor details of the bill, and he charged that "this is the most ineffective and inefficient session of the Senate the state has ever seen."

The bill was finally passed with eight votes against it. It provides for the appointment of a state commissioner at $2500, who will have the authority to name deputies in 13 districts at $1500 each, and who will have supervision of horticulture, eradication of pests, inspection of fruits, etc. The bill abolishes the office of the commissioner in Kennewick, Eastern Washington, and this provision caused a long discussion, amendments changing the location to Spokane, Tacoma and Olympia being voted down.

Can Fix Telegraph Tolls.

The Senate also gave its approval to the bill greatly enlarging the scope of the railway commission's power. Under the terms of the bill the commission is given as broad railroad rate-making and rate-enforcing powers as the Legislature has the power to delegate. The act specifically repeals all existing freight and passenger maximum rate laws and gives the commission the right to fix telegraph and telephone tolls and to require physical connections between competing telephone companies for business received from outside points in cities where each maintains a separate exchange.

Gillnetters Must Fight.

Gillnet fishermen on Puget Sound will be practically put out of business, it is claimed, if a bill that passed the House today is finally enacted. The bill prohibits the use of gillnets in all streams emptying into Puget Sound or within two miles of the mouth thereof. On the other hand the traps south of Deception Pass for the prohibition of which frequent attempts have been made in other Legislatures, have been permitted to remain. It is claimed these traps prevent the salmon from attaining the upper portions of Puget Sound in numbers sufficient to make fishing pay. Gillnetters are awakening to the situation and will inaugurate a fight on the measure in the Senate claiming that the act is in the interest of the canneries and big trap owners.

Local Option Back to House.

The local option issue will be forced to the front again in the House tomorrow or next day by the ultra local optionists. At a gathering of the public morals committee of the House today it was decided to recommend as a substitute for the Nichols Senate bill, now in the committee's hands, the measure decided upon by the Senate conference last night. The bill, therefore, instead of making its initial appearance in the Senate, will first have a tryout in the lower branch of the Legislature.

Four of the committee will sign a minority report recomemnding the adoption of the Nichols bill with amendments. They object to the unit provision and the incorporation in the new bill of the sections of the Anti-Saloon League measure, which places restrictions on druggists and physicians and prohibits delivery of unbroken packages in dry territory by breweries and distilleries. The minority wants fourth-class cities set apart as separate units. The proposed bill places them in the country unit.

Bitter Fight Promised.

The alignment in the House public morals committee is the same as on the McMasters, or Anti-Saloon League, bill, the committee standing five to four. While the ultra-local optionists of the House claim the ability to pass the new measure in the form reported out, the other side assert that the original dry majority in the House will be broken and that the minority report will be adopted. The contest promises to be waged with the same bitterness that characterized its previous appearance.

Suffrage Bill Is Signed.

In the presence of the leaders of the equal suffrage lobby, Acting Governor Hay today signed the woman's suffrage bill. The Governor has also signed the bill creating Grant County.

The Governor has signed the following bills:

H. B. 59, woman suffrage; H. B. 161, creating the County of Grant; S. B. 18, amending county depositary law; S. B. 106, giving municipalities of other states the authority to acquire water rights in this.

misrepresentation as to the purpose or price, are prohibited and made a misdemeanor by an act of the Legislature which recently adjourned.

The bill is designed to put an end to sales which put legitimate business at a disadvantage without giving any advantage to the buyer of goods. Under the new law, if a merchant advertises that he is "closing out at cost," when he is neither closing out nor selling at cost, he will be punishable. If he misrepresents quality or quantity he will be punishable.

Full text of the measure is here given. It was House Bill 300:

Section 1. Any firm, person, corporation or association of persons, or any employe of such, or any such, who, in the newspapers or other periodicals of this state, or in public advertisements, or in communications intended for a larger number of persons, knowingly makes or disseminates any statements, or assertion of facts, with respect to his, its, or their business affairs concerning the quantity, the quality, the value, the price, the method of production or manufacture, or the fixing of the price of his, its, or their merchandise, or professional work; or the manner or source of purchase of such merchandise; or in the possession of awards, prizes, or distinctions; or the motive or purpose of a sale, intended to have the appearance of an advantageous offer, which is, or are, untrue or calculated to mislead, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 2. Any person, persons, or association of persons, firm or corporation, violating any of the provisions of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not less than $10 nor more than $50, or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding twenty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court.

PRESIDENT INDEPENDENCE COMMERCIAL CLUB.

Dr. Otis D. Butler.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Dr. Otis D. Butler, who was unanimously elected president of the Independence Commercial Club, is one of the progressive men of Independence. He was born in Polk County, and has always been closely identified with all public advancement of this section of the state.

Timber Men to Contest Tax.

ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The residents of Road District No. 15, which comprises a large section in the Nehalem Valley, made a special tax levy of 10 mills on the 1908 roll for road improvement purposes. Notice has been received from some of the syndicates owning large tracts of timberland in that district that they intend to contest the collection of this special tax. Application has been made to Sheriff Pomeroy for permission to pay the balance of the tax against their holdings and leave the question of this special tax to be determined by the courts, but the request has been denied.

Horsethief Convicted.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Charles Liskey, who was indicted with Walter Welch and Alf Wallis by the Klamath grand jury for larceny of a carload of horses, taken from the Klamath County range and shipped to the San Francisco market and sold to parties in Santa Jose, was yesterday convicted, after a trial of a week's duration.

Liskey was the first of the trio to be tried and the jury returned a verdict of guilty 24 minutes after the case was placed in its hands. Walter Welch pleaded guilty and turned state's evidence.

Today and tomorrow will positively be the last days for discount on East Side Gas Bills. Read "Gas Tips." **

STATE TAX IS FIXED

Amounts Each County Must Pay Are Given Out.

STATE BOARD'S WORK DONE

Apportionment Completed and Reports Will Be Made to Several County Courts Within Few Days.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The new state tax apportionment, made yesterday, will be reported to the several County Courts by the Secretary of State in a few days. The amounts the several counties will be required to pay are as follows:

Baker	$31,237.50
Benton	23,165.00
Clackamas	42,693.25
Clatsop	31,237.50
Columbia	15,037.50
Coos	26,592.50
Crook	15,682.50
Curry	6,012.50
Douglas	45,772.50
Gilliam	12,305.00
Grant	9,794.25
Harney	16,250.00
Hood River	12,495.00
Jackson	38,075.00
Josephine	12,790.00
Klamath	20,185.00
Lake	12,112.50
Lane	56,805.00
Lincoln	8,160.00
Linn	60,355.00
Malheur	10,455.00
Marion	72,635.00
Morrow	14,662.50
Multnomah	405,167.50
Polk	35,925.00
Sherman	12,112.50
Tillamook	13,977.50
Umatilla	65,662.50
Union	29,707.50
Wallowa	10,327.50
Wasco	22,822.50
Washington	35,425.00
Wheeler	6,757.50
Yamhill	42,915.00
Total	$1,275,000.00

The county assessments as returned by the counties, and as equalized by the State Board of Equalization, are as follows:

County—	Assessor's valuation.	County Bd's valuation.	P. C. of total.
Baker	$ 9,662,320	$ 14,654,282	.0245
Benton	5,113,480	10,886,038	.0182
Clackmas	22,850,635	20,511,109	.0335
Clatsop	8,782,420	14,654,282	.0245
Columbia	15,514,488	6,998,167	.0117
Coos	14,248,014	12,281,373	.0207
Crook	7,070,254	7,357,047	.0123
Curry	3,258,473	2,930,856	.0049
Douglass	22,883,500	21,473,069	.0359
Gilliam	6,873,647	5,742,086	.0096
Grant	3,654,675	4,486,004	.0075
Harney	2,500,428	7,536,487	.0126
Hood R.	2,870,293	5,861,712	.0098
Jackson	26,685,249	17,944,018	.0300
Josephine	8,212,762	5,981,339	.0100
Klamath	7,105,904	9,450,516	.0158
Lake	4,309,578	5,682,270	.0095
Lane	19,181,215	26,203,052	.0446
Lincoln	4,153,062	3,828,057	.0064
Linn	21,222,885	28,291,736	.0473
Malheur	4,212,205	4,904,698	.0082
Marion	31,858,855	34,033,822	.0569
Morrow	7,732,299	6,878,540	.0115
Multnmh	236,187,737	190,086,973	.3178
Polk	10,075,000	16,867,377	.0282
Sherman	6,381,975	5,682,272	.0095
Tillamook	11,524,988	6,579,473	.0110
Umatilla	25,159,227	20,803,899	.0515
Union	7,109,835	13,936,521	.0233
Wallowa	7,226,295	4,844,885	.0081
Wasco	5,927,345	10,706,597	.0179
Washngtn	12,553,668	16,628,124	.0278
Wheeler	2,690,472	3,170,110	.0053
Yamhill	12,235,570	20,157,114	.0337
Total	$598,133,963	$598,133,963	1.0000

DREDGE FILLS LOW LANDS

Coos Bay Expends $15,000 Making Better City of Marshfield.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The dredger Oregon, which is being operated in Coos Bay, is doing good work. The dredgings are being used to fill the low places in the city. A portion of Front street, which was before simply a plank bridge, has been filled in and a large tract of land along the street in the north part of the city, which was formerly covered by the tide water, has been brought to grade.

Owners of a district in South Marshfield, between Washington avenue and Queen avenue and extending from the bay to the foothills are co-operating to have the entire tract filled by the dredger. The district comprises about 300 lots in the center of the city. It is probable that all of the low portions of the city will be filled while the dredger is here.

The original fund of $15,000 raised to operate the dredge is nearly exhausted, but some of the property owners who have ordered their places filled have agreed to pay in advance and when the South Marshfield project is started, the pay will keep the dredger going for some time.

Coos Bay has a credit of $25,000 of the bar improvement fund of several years ago still in the hands of the Government and an effort is being made to have this transferred so it can be expended on the inside bay dredging. Congressman Hawley has given assurance that the balance will be made available for the dredging work.

INJURIES MUST BE SHOWN

Plaintiffs in Damage Suits Subject to Physical Examination.

SEATTLE, Feb. 25.—A ruling that, it is expected, will prove far-reaching in personal injury damage suits has been made by Superior Judge Wilson R. Gay, to the effect that, upon the application of a defendant in such case, the plaintiff must submit to an examination to ascertain the extent of injuries by a physician to be suggested by the defendant, or upon refusal of the plaintiff to undergo such an examination, he or she shall be barred from personally testifying as to the injuries received.

Another important ruling by Judge Gay affecting all cases to be tried before him, is that in the drawing of a jury the attorneys on both sides shall examine the jurymen collectively instead of individually on general qualifications for jury duty and impediments to jury service. Specific questions touching to personalities may be asked the jurymen individually.

SURVEYS MISS CENTRALIA

Union Pacific Extension to Grays Harbor Not Likely to Touch City.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Fear that the Union Pacific extension to Grays Harbor will not pass through this city is causing much uneasiness to business men of Centralia.

The course of the Grays Harbor branch has been fairly well defined as far as Rochester, about 15 miles northeast of this city. From that point to the main line right of way, no definite course has been assigned. All work so far commenced is between Aberdeen and Rochester. It is by no means certain that this branch will connect with the main line at Centralia, in fact several occurrences of recent date indicate that Centralia is to be left several miles to one side, and the main line connection made nearer Tacoma.

The Commercial Club has been asked to interest itself in the matter.

POTLATCH SURVEYORS' AIM

St. Paul, It Is Believed, Will Construct Branch Line to Town.

GARFIELD, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—For the past ten days railroad surveyors have been working from the Mission of the Coeur d'Alene reservation toward Potlatch. There are 12 men in the crew, but they will say nothing of their work. It is believed that the men are working for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad.

They have surveyed from the Mission down around the north and west sides of Lone Jack Butte, have gone south and east through the Espy, the Agur and Freeze farms, going exactly through the center of the Freeze farm at Freeze, Idaho.

The men are camped six miles east of Garfield, on Cedar Creek, and are heading for the town of Potlatch, where is located the largest sawmill in the world, controlled by the Weyerhaeuser Syndicate.

Indian Goes Insane.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—John Arley, an Indian 27 years old, was brought to the city today by Sheriff Sappington, from his ranch eight miles from Battle Ground. Arley had eaten nothing since Sunday and spent the entire day in the woods hiding from imaginary enemies, who were trying to kill him, so he thought. Arley is a well-educated Yakima, about three-quarter blood. He has a wife and three children. About three months ago a brother Indian, Sam Jackson, died near his home and since that time Arley believes that Jackson's spirit has been haunting him.

Captured in Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—A. L. Miller, aged 24, wanted in Tacoma for larceny by embezzlement, was picked up here by John Secrist, chief of police, and turned over to Deputy Sheriff Thomas Desmond, of Pierce County. Two weeks ago Miller enlisted under his right name in the hospital corps at Vancouver Barracks. The commanding officer yesterday refused to turn Miller over to Secrist without a warrant, but he had him placed in the guardhouse until Desmond arrived.

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$57.50 Buck's "Chief" Ranges, 18-inch ovens $43.15
$62.50 Buck's "Chief" Ranges, with reservoir, 16-inch ovens $46.85
$67.50 Buck's "Chief" Ranges, with reservoir, 18-inch ovens $50.65
$53.50 Buck's "Empress" Ranges, 14-inch ovens $40.50
$58.50 Buck's "Empress" Ranges, 16-inch ovens $43.90
$63.50 Buck's "Empress" Ranges, 18-inch ovens $47.50
$68.50 Buck's "Empress" Ranges, 20-inch ovens $51.40
$68.50 Buck's "Empress" Ranges, with reservoirs, 18-inch ovens $51.40
$73.50 Buck's "Empress" Ranges, with reservoirs, 20-inch ovens $55.15

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SCHOOLS ARE AIDED

Small Districts May Draw on General County Fund.

HOW HAWLEY BILL WORKS

State Superintendent Ackerman Explains Features of New School Laws in Oregon—County High Schools Provided For.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Several bills relating to the public schools were passed at the recent legislative session, the most important being one increasing the minimum school year to six months, and another providing for an apportionment of $100 to each district before the per capita distribution is made. The present first apportionment is $50. The change favors the small districts. Superintendent Ackerman today gave the following summary of new school laws:

First, the Hawley bill: Every district in the state must maintain at least six months of school each year. A County Court of each county must levy a tax for school purposes that will produce an amount which will aggregate at least $7 for each child of school age (4 to 20 years). If a district's share of this sum does not amount to $300 (six months at $50 per month), then the County Court must levy upon the property of such district a special tax large enough to produce the difference between such district apportionment of the county fund and $300; provided that such special levy does not exceed a 3-mill tax. If the district's share of the county school fund and the amount raised by a 3-mill tax (special school tax) does not amount to $300, then the County Court must transfer from the general county fund to the special fund of such district an amount that will equal the difference.

Second, the Philpott bill: This bill makes a change in the manner of apportioning the county and state school funds. As the law now is the County Superintendent apportions the money by first giving to each district $50 and then distributing the balance according to the number of pupils in each district. This bill provides that the County Superintendent shall first give to each district $100 and then distribute the balance according to the number of children in each district.

Third, the bill introduced by the Lane County delegation, providing for a county high school fund. This bill provides that a county at any general election may vote upon the question of creating a county high school fund. When such fund has been created it is placed under the control of a county high school board, consisting of members of the County Court, the County Treasurer and the County School Superintendent. Every high school in such county that maintains a school up to the standard prescribed by the State Board of Education is entitled to receive tuition from this fund for all pupils attending such high school. The basis of the distribution is the average daily attendance during the school year. A high school shall receive not less than $40 per pupil for the first 20, $30 per pupil for the second 20 and $12 per pupil for all remaining pupils, provided that the total paid any district shall not exceed the amount paid by the district to the high school teachers.

Fourth, the Dodd bill: Gives the County Superintendent authority to make a partial apportionment of the money to any district upon the request of the board of directors of such district.

Fifth, the Cole Bill: Declares unlawful any secret societies, including fraternities and sororities, which may now or hereafter exist in any of the public schools of this state, including high schools. It makes it the duty of each School Board in the state to examine into the conditions of all schools under its charge and to suppress all secret societies therein. The act does not apply to the Oregon Agricultural College or to the State University.

Sixth, the McArthur bill: The Governor shall appoint by the first Monday in July, 1909, a board of five members, called the Board of Higher Curricula. The members shall serve without pay, excepting traveling expenses. This board shall first meet on the first Monday in July, 1909. The duty of the board shall be to determine what courses of studies of departments shall not be duplicated in the higher educational institutions of Oregon. The secretary of the board shall keep a record of such determination and shall notify the Governor and the secretaries of the several boards of the higher educational institutions of such determination. It shall be the duty of each institution to conform thereto. Any changes that are made shall become effective at the beginning of the school year following such determination. It provides that the Board of Higher Curricula shall visit each of the institutions and that the board of each separate institution shall have a hearing before the Board of Higher Curricula relative to any change that may be contemplated.

Seventh, the Farrell bill: This bill affects schoolhouses by providing that the outside doors and other exits of all school buildings shall be so swung and hinged that they shall open outward. These changes must be made within six months after the time that this act takes effect.

WESTON APPEALS FOR AID

Students Ask Friends and Alumni to Give Financial Assistance.

WESTON, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The student body of the Western Normal School has passed the following resolutions:

Since the Oregon State Legislature has not appropriated a sum for our maintenance during the next two years, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the student body of the Eastern Oregon State Normal School, stand loyally by our school and its faculty, and do appeal to the people of the State of Oregon for their assistance until the Legislature shall appropriate funds for our further maintenance.

Be it furthermore resolved, That we of the student body ask the alumni and friends of the school to do all in their power to influence public opinion for legislation in favor of the Normal schools.

Be it further resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to all the papers whose counties are represented in our student body of the Eastern Oregon State Normal School: Baker, Crook, Clackamas, Gilliam, Douglas, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Marion, Morrow, Polk, Tillamook, Sherman, Union, Umatilla, Wasco, Wallowa.

Signed by Glenn Leslie, Cecile Boyd, Royal F. Nice, Z. May Meighen, Ira Staggs, Ada Ely, Fred M. Huffman, committee.

Tabernacle Is Completed.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The tabernacle at the corner of Franklin and Tenth streets, which will be used by the congregations of the Presbyterian, Christian, Methodist and Baptist churches of this city, to conduct revival meetings in, beginning at 11 o'clock next Sunday, was practically completed last night. The tabernacle will seat 2500 persons, backed benches being used. It will be lighted with electricity.

Montesano Paying Debts.

MONTESANO, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The financial statement of the city of Montesano for the year 1908 has just been issued by City Clerk N. D. McKillip. It shows that the receipts for the year from all sources were $20,730.19. Disbursements were $14,588.83, leaving a cash balance of $6141.36. The city has outstanding, sewer bonds $15,000; elevated bridge bonds $7431.99; funding bonds $13,330. This with warrants makes the total indebtedness $44,830.25, less cash on hand $141.36, leaving the net indebtedness $38,689.03. The indebtedness was decreased during the year nearly $4500.

Throwing Dirt for U. P. Line.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Two hundred men with equipment and tents began the actual work of grading for the Union Pacific Grays Harbor extension at Rochester, near Elma, today. Four camps have thus far been established in that vicinity, and work will be rushed.

Vancouver Demands Street.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Denied by the War Department the privilege of extending Thirteenth street through the military reservation west of town, the Commercial Club has requested the Legislature to memorialize Congress in request for the highway.

The Stomach of the Child

Is the Organ All Parents Should Protect and Keep Normal.

The stomach of a child is the organ above all others upon which the future of a child depends. Bodily development is fast in children, and the nourishment necessary to meet such development is the one essential demanded from a parent. Most mothers and fathers jealously guard a child from the formation of bad habits, yet in this age our children early become the victims of wrong food, over eating and irregular meals.

It is most appalling to know the effect of stomach troubles among our children.

Most children who are nervous, irritable and cross, who dream, sleep restlessly, who tire easily and have no desire for child exercise, generally have stomach trouble, indigestion and dyspepsia.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are intended to thoroughly digest food and to place the system in shape to obtain all the nourishment it needs from such food.

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Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets should be given to children after each meal and at bed time. They are made of pure vegetable and fruit essences and contain no harmful chemicals whatever. The use of these tablets will give greater vim to a child in its school work or at its play. They will produce appetite and soothe nerves, destroy abnormal cravings and will allay the bad effects of sweets and such improper foods as most children enjoy and will eat no matter what is done to prevent it.

It is due the child that his stomach be protected by the parent, and if Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are given after meals, the habits of the child will not tear down the stomach and destroy the digestive juices nearly so rapidly. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are given to each and every degree of life. Any condition of the stomach welcomes them, from the strongest to the weakest. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents. Send us your name and address today and we will mail you at once a trial package free. Address F. A. Stuart Co., 150 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

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PYTHIAN SISTERS MEET

Annual Convention in Albany Is Largely Attended.

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The Pythian Sisters of the third Oregon district met in annual convention here today with almost 100 members of the order present. All of the six temples in the district located at Salem, Albany, Eugene, Corvallis, Brownsville and Aurora were represented and Mrs. Margaret Slocum, of Union, grand chief of the Pythian Sisters of Oregon, was present.

Sessions were held this afternoon and this evening, with Mrs. Mary J. Kelly, of Albany, district deputy grand chief, presiding. Both sessions were devoted entirely to lodge work, and at tonight's meeting the work of the order was exemplified by Alpha Temple of Albany, the first temple organized in the state.

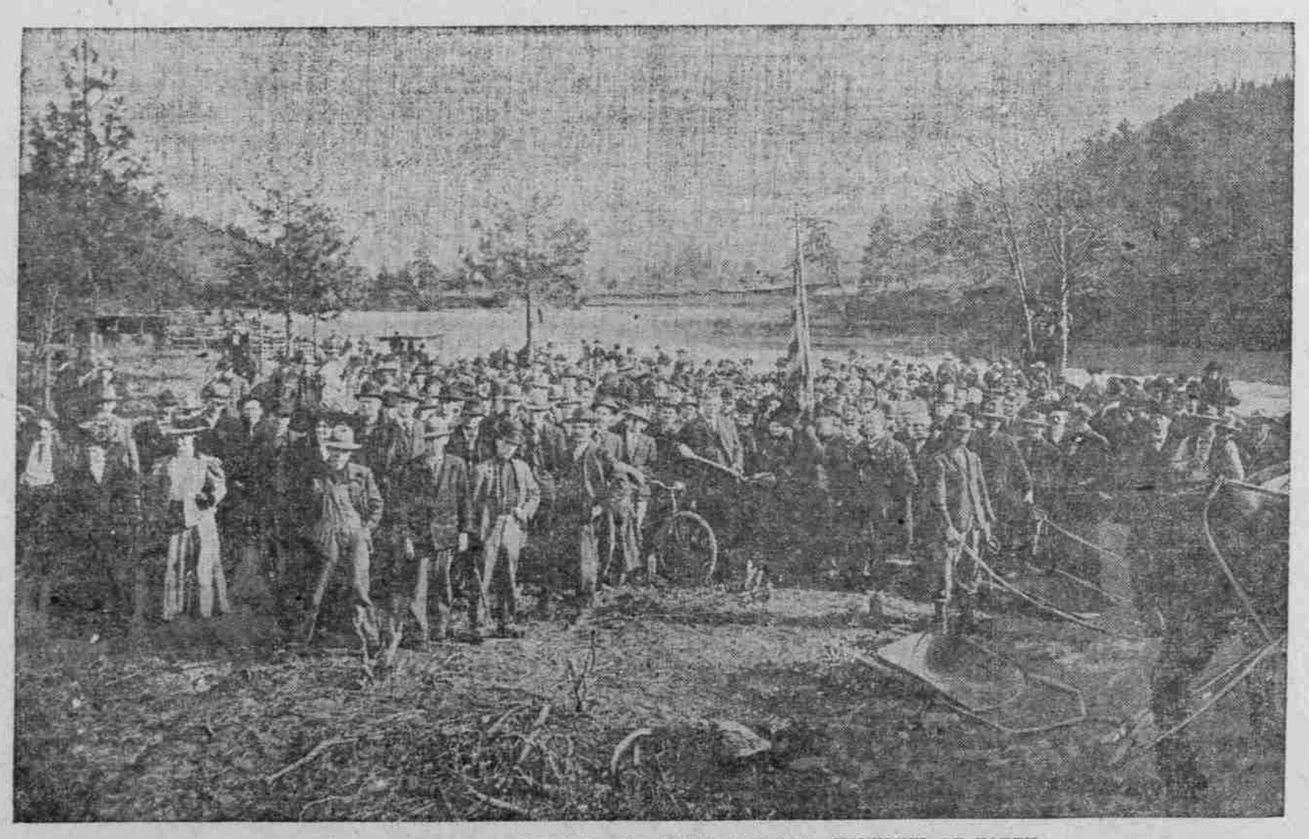
The visiting delegates were given a banquet by the Albany temple at 6 o'clock this evening.

SALES MUST BE BONAFIDE

Merchants Liable to Fine if They Dupe Buying Public.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Fake sales of "bankrupt stock," "half-price sales" and other sales in which there is

BEGINNING OF WORK ON ROGUE RIVER DITCH WITNESSED BY GREAT CROWD



MAYOR H. C. KINNEY, OF GRANTS PASS, TURNING FIRST SHOVELFUL OF EARTH.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—All Grants Pass turned out to celebrate the opening of work for the great Rogue River ditch at the dam three miles south of here. Mayor Kinney turned the first shovelful of earth. People from all the country around came to help celebrate the event. The project is of tremendous importance to this valley.