

# LEGISLATORS TO HAVE BUSY TIME

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## SERVICE ISSUE LOOMS UP

#### Public Commission Will Probably Be Proposed by Senator Malarky—Many Pet Desires Will Be Heard.

One of the largest bill crops on record seems assured for the 1911 session of the Oregon Legislature. With the convening of that body several weeks off a heavy grist of measures has already loomed into the foreground and there no longer seems any doubt, but that the session will be a busy one.

One of the most important bills to be presented deals with the subject of public service corporations and will be designed to regulate these concerns in their dealings with the public. This measure will likely be presented by Senator Malarky, of Multnomah, who favors the creation of a public service commission modeled along the lines of the present State Railway Commission but having a wider scope and applying to corporations dealing in light, fuel, telephones, street transportation, etc.

An amendment will be presented early in the session to the initiative and referendum enactment. This will come from the Multnomah delegation and the exact form has not yet been decided upon. The bill is intended to prevent the introduction of needless legislation. One plan that may be adopted is to make it necessary for each signer of an initiative or referendum petition that he is familiar with every phase of the proposed enactment.

Many organizations have pet bills to put through. The Thirdly comes a measure authorizing the use of state convicts on public roads. Following that comes a fourth measure providing for the employment of city and county engineers on the roads and, lastly, an enactment enabling counties to issue bonds for road purposes.

### Medical Bills Scheduled.

Several medical bills will be presented, too, one of them designed to eliminate quacks. The City and County Medical Society will have a bill widening the examinations so as to apply to all classes of practitioners. They say nobody should practice without a license. This measure is aimed at neuropaths, electropaths and the like. The law narrows the scope of the regulation examination from six to three studies—anatomy, pathology and physiology.

The State Medical Society has evolved a bill, in conjunction with the State Bar Association, defining expert testimony in criminal and civil cases. This is designed to prevent unqualified and incompetent persons from appearing as experts, as is often done.

The Associated Charities has three bills evolved up to the present writing. They want a state reformatory for girls, separation of epileptics from the rest with the epileptics and sterilization of dangerous and habitual criminals.

The Humane Society will ask for funds to enable the hiring of a state officer who shall be maintained on fixed salary. No far that is the only measure the society has settled upon.

The state bank examiner will put in a bill the effect of which is to provide deputies having authority to examine banks and thus make it possible to cover the state more frequently than once in two years, as is now the case.

At least two insurance bills will be presented. The old-line companies will be asked to make a list of all their policies so that everyone can start an order, as at present. The second bill merely provides corrections to 23 typographical errors in the present insurance law.

M. G. Munly, on behalf of the East Side Push Club, will seek a law altering the Port of Portland commission, limiting its authority and making its officers elective rather than appointive.

The Civic Council has three school bills. The first is designed to enlarge the membership of the Board of Education to 16 members. A second provides for competitive bids on all school buildings and supplies. The council will also ask for the creation of an executive committee to supervise the construction of school buildings.

### Two Justices Asked For.

Two additional Justices of the Supreme Court and at least three more State Circuit Court Judges will be asked for. The State Bar Association will present the necessity of installing a couple of more State Circuit Justices. The Multnomah Bar Association will petition for three additional Justices of the Fourth Judicial District. The claim will be made, in this connection, that the state has outgrown its higher tribunal, two years now being required to put a case through the Supreme Court. A similar claim will be made concerning the judiciary of Multnomah County.

The Commercial Club wants to publish a book and will ask the state to foot the bill. The book is to be "Oregon Opportunities" and is intended for circulation in the East. The Chamber of Commerce wants to regulate sailor boarding-houses and cut the charge to sailing masters for supplying men to a minimum of \$16.

County Clerk Fields wants to render effective the present law making the use of a marriage license unlawful except in the county where issued. To accomplish this end he will ask that a penalty be provided. In this way alone it is argued, can the records be kept intact.

The Consumers' League has a bill for the state-wide test of cattle for tuberculosis. The measure provides a method of compensation for the destruction of diseased animals.

## AUTO SPEEDER IS FINED

### Policemen Say He Offered Them Free Oil for Cycles.

An opportunity to get gasoline for their motorcycles without expense is

the offer that Patrolmen Sims and Evans, of the police motorcycle squad, allege was made to them by H. A. Cummings, an automobile salesman, if they would overlook his alleged infraction of the speed regulations. The alleged attempt to bribe was not brought into the case in Municipal Court yesterday by the officers, but was drawn out by Deputy City Attorney Sullivan.

The two officers timed Cummings on Grand avenue, inside of the fire limits, and say that he was going 25 miles an hour. They followed him out Hawthorne avenue, where he continued at a speed not allowed by law. Cummings said that he did not know how fast he was going, yet he met in situations that the officers were not

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telling the truth. Judge Taxwell imposed a fine of \$50 and refused to reduce it upon the pleadings of Cummings and his attorney.

## TROUSERS COST TITLE

### PRETTY ACTRESS' ADVENTURE SHOCK TO BARON.

#### Italian Nobleman Lost to Miss Cameron Through Trip in Submarine Shark.

Grace Cameron, a pretty and accomplished actress, well known to theatergoers, playing at the Bungalow, has become quite famous in theatrical circles for her unusual costume for adventure. Had it not been for this same love she might have been a baroness. Miss Cameron was taking a special course three years ago in operating a submarine. While there she met an Italian nobleman, the Baron of Roselli, a young man of much wealth and high social standing. At the conclusion of her course Miss Cameron returned to America, where, according to arrangements, the Baron was to follow and the wedding was to take place. The Baron arrived in due time and seemed to be more in love than ever with his betrothed. Preparations for the wedding were being rushed and the beautiful Miss Cameron was being showered with congratulations and good wishes by her companions in stage life when there was a rift.

It was a suit of boy's clothes which made the course of true love pause. When the nobleman came face to face with his betrothed in broad daylight and upon the public street clad in the habiliments of a man it was more than he could bear and all negotiations were called off. Miss Cameron had a reason for her masquerading. A relative had charge of experiments with the submarine boat Shark, at the Brooklyn Navy-yard. Miss Cameron long had cherished a desire to take a cruise in the submarine boat and she persuaded her official relative so that at last he consented to take her on board on condition that she disguise herself as a midshipman. It was after her cruise under the sea and while on her way back to her apartments that Miss Cameron met her Italian lover and lost all chance to become a baroness.

## HUNTING POPULAR SPORT

### Nimrods and Anglers Swell Year's Receipts in Multnomah County.

Popularity of hunting increased greatly in Multnomah County since the first of the year and disciples of Isaac Hunter swelled their ranks by 2740. The county realized \$14,218 by the issuance of licenses, an increase of \$4678 over last year. These figures were announced yesterday by Deputy County Clerk Schneider.

In the near-year 5141 hunters' permits were granted, 4877 anglers obtained permission to fish and 1166 residents of the county were allowed combination licenses. In 1909 the figures were: Hunters, 2657; anglers, 4157; combination licenses, \$82.

Hunters and anglers are required to pay a \$1 fee, and those obtaining permits to fish and hunt both are taxed \$2.

The rush for 1911 licenses has begun. Harry H. Howland obtained the first license to hunt and Sam B. Archer being the first on the books as obtaining an angler's license for the new year. Fishing for salmon trout and bass is open the year round and the duck season will close January 15.

Superstition plays an important part at the license counter in charge of Deputy County Clerk Schneider. Hunters and anglers insist yearly upon obtaining licenses bearing "hoodoo" numbers. Zora Snow was granted license numbered 23 in the hunters' column and is reserved for a sportsman who applies yearly for the "unlucky" permit. No. 9 is also set aside for a nimrod for whom the digit has a particular significance.

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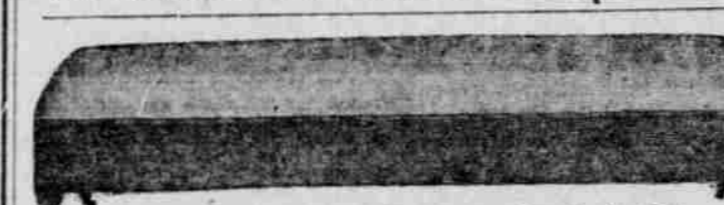


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## STRANGE BELIEF TOLD

### WOMEN TELL OF LATE CAPTAIN FISK'S VISIT TO HOLY LAND.

#### Mother and Daughter Seek \$10,000 of Estate, for Caring for Him in His Declining Years.

Alleged belief by the late Captain J. H. Fisk in a new Christ, and a purported visit by him to the Holy Land to see that personage, were adduced before Judge Gatens yesterday in trial of the case which aims to re-establish the Fisk will that his grandchildren may obtain half of the \$25,000 estate. Mrs. Rosetta M. Parker and her daughter, Viola, also seek part of the estate, the mother suing to obtain \$10,000, which she says, Captain Fisk promised her for taking care of him in his declining years.

Testimony by mother and daughter was to the effect that Captain Fisk was a firm believer in a Palestine cult, and that his faith in the new Christ prompted his visit to Europe, three months before he died. Mrs. Parker presented a picture of the so-called new Christ, which was testified, was the property of Captain Fisk. In an early stage of the case, Miss Parker testified that she and her mother cared for Captain Fisk as they would a babe. He was stout, they said, and when after an accident he was hardly able to keep his feet, he was bathed, pedicured and dressed as if he were an ailing member of the family. The girl testified that to their home and to him she was "Pappie," while her pet name for him was "Wappie." A letter from Captain Fisk to Miss Parker from Europe was introduced as evidence to show that the pet names were adopted by them.

Attorneys opposing Mrs. Parker's suit to prove that he was not beholden to her, called several witnesses who testified Captain Fisk was accustomed to eat in a First-street restaurant and that he had sleeping apartments in his assay office on lower Washington street. They also called an employe of a real estate firm to show that at times Captain Fisk paid the rent of the Parker home.

Captain Fisk's estate is worth about \$25,000, and the will was set aside on the ground that it was improperly witnessed. The will provided that half of the estate be left to his grandchildren, June and Norman E., daughter and son of Bert E. Fisk. Settling aside of the will left the estate in toto to Bert E. Fisk, the only son of the aged assayer. Mrs. Parker's suit, therefore, precipitates a fight by young son and daughter against their father, as she will be unable to be awarded any share of the estate until the will is accepted as written, wherein the grandchildren are left heir.

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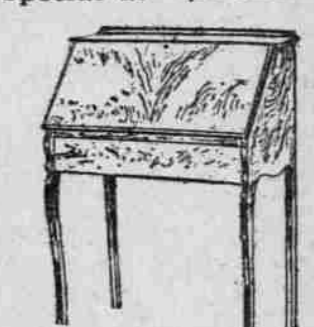
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Permit was issued yesterday from the City Building Inspector's office for a five-story brick apartment house, to be erected on a lot 5 1/2 by 100 feet, on the east side of Ford street, north of Park avenue, and to cost \$150,000. The building will be erected by Morgan, Fliedner & Boyce for the Kingsbury Building Company, which is composed of R. E. Kingsbury and the contracting firm. The structure will be virtually a duplicate of the Hawthorn apartments, on Twelfth street near Main, and will contain 31 apartments. Work will go ahead at once. The property on which this apartment house will be built is part of a piece 109 by 100 feet purchased recently by Morgan, Fliedner & Boyce from R. E. Kingsbury for \$55,000. On the remaining 100 by 100 feet of the property on the

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