



GOOD ROADS MEN WIN FIRST FIGHT

Highway Commission Bill Triumphant.

SUBTERFUGE HINTS FELLED

Senate, in Committee of Whole, Accepts Changed Measure.

MOVE TRICKY, SAYS DIMICK

Proposed Law, as Amended, Makes County Courts Advisory Constructors and Provides Highway Commissioner at \$4000.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Under a running fire of opposition the Good Roads Association bill went the preliminary skirmish in the Legislature when it passed safely through a committee of the whole in the Senate this afternoon, but at the same time came out well riddled with amendments, some of them making important changes in the proposed act.

Throughout the Senate lobby throughout the afternoon a great delegation of enthusiasts from Portland and other points watched the proceedings with keenest interest and frequently applauded speeches with so much enthusiasm, continual reminders from the chair were required.

The bill under consideration today was that providing for a state highway board—Senate bill 42—as introduced by Joseph, in a committee of the whole the Senate considered the bill, section by section, after a strong fight had been put up against the first section by Barrett of Umatilla and Dimick of Clackamas. The first division arose over the creation of a highway board, and for a time it appeared as though the Senate would split squarely on this proposal and thus virtually kill the whole intent and purpose of the bill.

Dimick Seeks Scheme.

Allegations from Dimick created a sensation. He declared on the floor of the Senate that the association bills were fathered by road-machine men, automobile men and the promotion of a trunk line Pacific highway project. "I want to ask if these measures are not the result of the moves of the road-machine men to put the county bond measure through at the last election," "dig up" the money should have something to say on this. I want to ask if those in the farming communities, the men who have been digging roads for the last 50 years—I want to ask if they are not entitled to some consideration. Should the road men and the automobile men dominate the affairs here? If this bill is passed, I predict that the people will put the referendum against and defeat it.

New Commission Condemned.

"Under these association bills some counties will put up more money than they draw down. You will create a highway commission, and because the road-machine men and the automobile owners are more clever as politicians than the farmers, they will dominate the board. It is poor policy to create another commission at this time. We have been hearing of the extravagant and lavish waste of other commissions and boards. Here on the Senate floor we have heard statements that have awakened the Senate to a realization of some things that are going on, and why should we create a commission, giving it full powers to handle money, as this bill does, when we should attempt to curb these commissions and these expenditures?"

RAT IN HAIR SAVES LIFE

Girl Trips, Falls Downstairs and Lands on Top of Head.

LEBANON, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The life of Miss Eva Peterson, daughter of Walter C. Peterson, of Lebanon, was saved yesterday by a "rat." Miss Peterson is an operator in the local office of the Home Telephone Company and in starting down the stairs from the office, she tripped and fell. She fell more than half the length of the stairs, striking on the back of her head and physicians say that had not a rat she wore in her hair broken the shock of the fall her skull would probably have been fractured.

WHIPPING POST OPPOSED

House Committee Favors Abolishment of Wife-Beaters Penalty.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Representative Buchanan's bill, abolishing the whipping post, was favorably reported today by the judiciary committee.

GAYNOR'S FOE IN PRISON

Gallagher, Who Shot Gotham's Mayor, Begins 12-Year Term.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—James J. Gallagher, who shot Mayor Gaynor and Street Commissioner Edwards on a steamship on a dock at Hoboken last August, was taken to the New Jersey State Prison today to serve 12 years at hard labor.

WOMEN SEE DAWN OF TROUSERS ERA

WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE TO GET "BIFURCATED" BILL.

Hobble, Skirts May Be Forbidden but Double Hobbles Will Be Sanctioned if Measure Passes.

MADISON, Wis., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Should Suffragettes be permitted to wear trouserettes in public?

Assemblyman Carl Hanson, of Manitowish, member of the committee on welfare of women and children, thinks so and will introduce a bill in the Wisconsin Legislature permitting suffragettes and ordinary women to wear trouserettes, breeches, pantalons, or any other cognate article of attire.

At the same time Assemblyman Hanson will introduce a sister bill forbidding the wearing of hobble skirts. Accompanying the bill permitting the double hobbles will be specifications and illustrations showing the sanctioned trouserettes to be a Parisian modification of the bloomers worn in Turkish harems.

These two bills, the first of a flood proposed by Suffragettes, are already prepared and will be introduced at once. The Legislature, catching the spirit of the occasion undoubtedly will pass both bills.

OREGON LAW IS FAVORED

Initiative and Referendum Amendments Presented in Wisconsin.

MADISON, Wis., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—A very complete initiative and referendum amendment presented in the Wisconsin Legislature today.

It is a copy of the Oregon law and provides that the voters can initiate constitutional amendments as well as legislation.

Resolutions practically recognizing the progressive movement as started in Washington were presented in the Senate today in measures complimentary to Oregon for its progressive legislation.

Jonathan Bourne, of Oregon, was invited to address the Wisconsin Legislature.

JULES VERNE IS OUTDONE

Trip Around World Can Now Be Made in 37 Days.

SEATTLE, Jan. 24.—The development of the Japanese port of Tsuguga has made it possible to go around the world in 37 days, according to officers of the steamship Hallamshire, now here.

Leaving Seattle or Vancouver by steamer, a traveler may land in Yokohama in 12 days. By taking train to Tsuguga and steamer to the trans-Siberian Railroad terminus and continuing by the fastest train to London he may cover the distance from Yokohama in 18 days. By the fastest steamer and train he may travel from London to Seattle in a little more than nine days.

BRIGHAM YOUNG DEFENDED

Mormon Leader's Descendants Plan to Fight Recent Attack.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 24.—To defend the memory of their progenitor from the attacks provoked by the use of his portrait on the silver service of the battleship Utah, descendants of Brigham Young met in this city today and appointed a committee to see Governor Spry.

The charges against the patriarch were not discussed at the meeting. They may be taken up and answered after the interview with the Governor. Another family meeting will be held tomorrow night at which the committee will make its report.

10 COAST STATES ONE TO AID WEST

Development Body at Omaha Plans.

ALL TO BEGON TO TOURISTS

Induce Immigration, Is Aim of Big Combined Zone.

OREGON IS TO THE FORE

Co-operation of Railroads Will Be Sought in Effort to Divert Trend of Travel From Canada and the Far South.

OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Ten states banded themselves here today in the Western Development Association for the purpose of turning the tide of immigration to the lands of the west and preventing the settlers of the older developed agricultural states from going to Canada or into the Far South where they will not be even an influence toward the development of the West.

Oregon, Washington, California, Idaho, Montana, Utah, Nevada, Colorado, Wyoming and Nebraska, were represented here today. Ex-Governor James H. Brady, of Idaho, was elected president; Wilbur Walker, of Oakland, Cal., treasurer; and Will A. Campbell, of Omaha, secretary.

The vice-presidents were named by states: Oregon named C. C. Chapman, of Portland; California, Robert N. Lynch; Montana, E. W. Pettibone; Idaho, Riley Atkinson; Nebraska, W. R. Mellor; Utah, W. W. Armstrong; Colorado, Alfred Patek. Wyoming is yet to name a vice-president as is also Nevada.

Hay Is Sent Telegrams.

Telegrams have been sent Governor Hay, of Washington, asking that he name a representative for that state who will act as vice-president and thus become a member of the executive committee.

Plans for financing the development association and working out details will be taken up at a meeting of the executive committee when it shall have been completed.

It is the opinion of those members of the committee in attendance that this meeting should be called within 30 days in some western city, Salt Lake or Pocatello.

R. W. Raymond, of Portland, was chosen by the committee on permanent organization to outline the work of the association as well as the possible ways of financing its work. Mr. Raymond made one of the chief addresses of the day on this subject, holding that the most important work of the organization would be along publicity lines.

Railroad Aid Asked.

He spoke strongly of the railroads as the greatest aids in the work and urged co-operation with them in the work of developing the West. The financial plan submitted by Mr. Raymond proposed an assessment against the commercial clubs of the various states on a per capita basis which would give the new organization.

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HALF CENTURY ENDED

There are few newspapers, even in the Atlantic Coast cities, which have been published for 100 years. Considering how much older is the East than the Pacific Northwest, it is a remarkable thing that one newspaper, The Oregonian, is ending a half century of continuous publication as a daily. The anniversary is even more noteworthy when it is considered that The Weekly Oregonian has been issued for more than six decades.

The Oregonian's Fiftieth Anniversary Edition, to be printed February 4, will be a fitting souvenir. Although containing more than 100 pages, it will be in newspaper form, so that it can be mailed at small cost to persons in the East or elsewhere. The price, too, has been kept at 5 cents a copy, and it is certain the circulation will be enormous. It is the most complete resume of Oregon's resources, industries and growth that has been compiled.

GIRL SCREAMS; DOG SAVES

Tramp Grasps Pendleton Child, Bull-Terrier Rushes to Rescue.

PENDLETON, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Ellen Manker, 12-year-old daughter of Mrs. M. Manker, a widow living at 311 West Railroad street, was rescued by a bull-terrier last night from the clutches of a tramp. The little girl had been sent by her mother to deliver some laundry. Returning after dark she was within a block of her home when a tramp seized her. She screamed, but was silenced by the tramp, who threatened to cut her throat if she made another outcry. The child's scream was heard by the girl's mother, and she untied her son's bulldog at once. The dog rushed to the aid of the girl and drove off her assailant, who disappeared in the darkness.

NAVAL HEADS ARE AROUSED

Delay in Building Battleship Is Cause for Inquiry.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—It became known in New York today that the Navy Department has appointed a board to investigate a report that private interests furnishing material for the battleship Florida are purposely delaying material to make it appear, speculatively, that Government construction of battleships is unprofitable.

The Florida is being built in the Navy-yard and was to be completed by July. So great a delay has been occasioned in the machinery division of the yard, which yard officials blame upon private concerns, that a board of inquiry has been appointed.

ENTIRE HOUSEHOLD IS ILL

Eleven in Family Living East of Eugene Get Measles.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Eleven members of one family ill at the home of E. F. Godard, who lives on the McKenzie River east of here. Measles contracted from relatives who were visiting them is the primary cause of the trouble.

Every member of the family contracted the disease, and the family is practically helpless, being dependent upon the assistance of the neighbors for nursing and keeping up of the household duties.

IMPRESSED.



NEW ORLEANS IS AFRAID OF DEFEAT

Attempts to Delay Decision on Fair.

CONFIDENCE IS EBBING FAST

San Francisco Accused of Hypnotizing President.

HOUSE MAY ACT THURSDAY

Rules Committee Wants Fight Ended, but Rodenburg Plays for Time—Southern Senators May Hold Off Action This Session.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The House committee on rules will meet at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning to decide when and in what manner the exposition contest shall be precipitated on the floor. San Francisco is demanding that Thursday shall be the day of battle, and New Orleans, according to an announcement this evening, will again set up pleas for delay.

Notwithstanding the cocksureness the Louisianaans have been showing, particularly during the last week, their confidence seems to be ebbing when the issue squarely confronts them. It is understood that New Orleans will insist on a postponement of the day of judgment until Tuesday of next week; it is to be expected that conditions will be attached to that date, if possible.

New Orleans Plans for Delay.

The attitude of the committee on rules is known to be for an immediate ending of the wearying exposition controversy. The Californiaans hope that this determination is so strong that the special rule will be reached on Thursday. Rodenburg, champion of the Southern city, says, on the other hand, that there can be no consideration in the House until next week and Estepinal, of Louisiana, was equally confident this evening. The Southerners had hoped that the Postoffice bill would shut out the Panama measures during the present week, but with the bill out of the way they must fight before their much-desired postponement.

In the Senate as well did New Orleans betray its policy of delay today. The industrial expositions committee of that body decided to hold hearings and when the question of a day was raised M. H. De Young, spokesman for California, declared that he was ready to submit the case then and there. Foster, for New Orleans, urged delay. The Southerners had a friend in Overman, of North Carolina, who undertook to show that there was no necessity for action at this session, but he was quickly upset by the replies of Mr. De Young. The committee decided favorably to California fixing Thursday and Friday next for the hearings, two hours on the respective days to be given to each side.

These dilatory tactics on the part of New Orleans would seem to indicate how the contest stands in Congress. At the California headquarters tonight no

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SPARK IN POWDER FATAL TO FAMILY

CARELESS FATHER ALONE ESCAPES GRAVE INJURY.

One Child Dead, Four Dying and Mother in Precarious Condition. Their Home Demolished.

ROSLYN, Wash., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—One child of Matt Harrison is dead and four children are dying, and his wife is in a precarious condition as the result of an explosion of gunpowder in the family home here this afternoon. The doctors say the four children will die before morning.

Harrison is a miner and had taken a can of powder into his home. He was smoking a cigarette and a spark dropped into the can, causing an explosion which wrecked the home. Five children, all under 12 years old, were playing about the room, while the mother was standing by watching the father when the explosion occurred. Everyone was knocked down and their clothes were set afire. The father, who was standing over the can, was not disabled and he helped his children to get out of the building, receiving bad burns doing so. A crowd was attracted and a score of miners on the night shift, who lived nearby, rushed into the home and took care of the injured ones.

A rough ambulance was made from a wagon and the seven injured were rushed to the Cle Elum Hospital, four miles away. The home was wrecked and it was with great difficulty that the fire was put out.

COWBOY SHOTS, FLEES

Refusal of Saloonman to "Treat" Incites Kahlotus Man to Murder.

COLFAX, Wash., Jan. 24.—Charley Cook, a cowboy and desperate character of Kahlotus, is hiding in the hills tonight with a posse arranging to start a man hunt to bring him in on a murder charge in the morning. Cook entered a saloon at Kahlotus and asked the bartender to treat. The request was refused and when the proprietor came in the same demand was made. The proprietor also refused to give Cook a drink and the cowboy then drew a revolver and shot the saloonkeeper dead. He made his escape to the hills near Kahlotus.

NATION TO HIDE PAROLES

Federal Prisoners to Leave Cells, Unknown to Outside World.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Men who have won their paroles from Federal prisons hereafter will step back into the world to begin life anew unadvertised and without the limelight of publicity.

Attorney-General Wickersham and Robert W. Ladow, chairman of the parole board, have decided that publicity in such cases help to defeat the object of the parole law.

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APPLE MEN SEEK COMBINE SCHEME

Organization Desired; Method Lacking.

POOL PLAN BRINGS PROTEST

Growers of Northwest Meet to Form Union.

SELLING SYSTEM OBSTACLE

Delegates From Three States Name Committee to Draft Plan—Hood River Editor Opposes Combination for Distribution.

Representing an aggregate capital of \$50,000,000, invested in apple orchards and an output of 10,000 cars yearly, having a value of from \$5,000,000 to \$8,000,000, more than 100 apple growers from Oregon, Washington and Idaho gathered in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium yesterday for the purpose of forming a National selling agency of sufficient breadth and width to control and dispose of the apples produced in the three states mentioned.

A committee of 15 was appointed at the close of the day's work to prepare a working plan for the consideration of the convention tomorrow morning.

Leading Orchardists Take Part.

Leading apple culturists from the three states took part in the proceedings. Ex-Governor Miles C. Moore, of Washington; Judge Fremont Wood, of Boise, Idaho; Miles Cannon, of Weiser, Idaho; E. C. Benson, of Prosser, Wash., ex-president of the Washington State Horticultural Society; C. E. Whistler, of Medford, representing the Rogue River Fruit and Produce Association; H. C. Atwell, of Forest Grove, Or., president of the Oregon State Horticultural Society; J. N. Stone, of Milton, Or.; H. C. Richards, of North Yakima, Wash.; A. P. Bateham, of Mosier, Or., and C. H. Sprot, of Hood River, Or., were among the more active spirits of the enterprise.

The only opposition to the plan proposed came from the pessimistic tone that prevailed through the talk of E. H. Shepherd, editor of Better Fruit, published at Hood River. Although the discussion lasted throughout the day and the speakers were numerous, Mr. Shepherd could not see the light as advanced by the more hopeful Miles Cannon, representing the Rogue River Fruit and Produce Association; H. C. Atwell, of Forest Grove, Or., president of the Oregon State Horticultural Society; J. N. Stone, of Milton, Or.; H. C. Richards, of North Yakima, Wash.; A. P. Bateham, of Mosier, Or., and C. H. Sprot, of Hood River, Or., were among the more active spirits of the enterprise.

Plan to Be Drafted.

Regardless of Mr. Shepherd's views, the apple growers continued in their deliberations and appointed the following committee to draft a plan: H. W. Otis, of Wenatchee, Wash.; H. C. Sprot, of Hood River; H. C. Lamb, of Milton, Or.; John Forbis, of Portland; C. E. Whistler, of Medford, Or.; A. P. Bateham, of Weiser, Idaho; C. L. Smith, of Lewiston, Idaho; W. M. Nelson, of North Yakima, Wash.; George C. Eaton, of Granger, Wash.; C. H. Clark, of Wenatchee, and G. H. Sprague, of Cashmere, Wash.