

GOVERNOR DECREES FEDERAL AID NOW

"Crook County Reclaimed" Is
West's Plan of Campaign
Laid Out.

ENGINEER LEWIS SCORED

Executive Hits at Attempt to Shift
Responsibility and Takes Oc-
casional to Assure Settlers
Work Will Be Hurried.

SALEM, Or., March 12.—(Special).—These settlers are getting tired of investigations. What they want is water on the land. They do not care to have a small army of silk-stockinged gentry from the department at Washington traveling over their lands. They are anxious for results," declared Governor West today at a meeting of the Desert Land Board in which the developed between the executive and State Engineer Lewis over the question of Federal co-operation in development of the Columbia Southern project.

The Legislature appropriated \$150,000 to complete the work on this project for the benefit of the settlers. In a letter to the Desert Land Board the State Engineer offered the suggestion that an investigation be made before the state act goes into effect in June. The purpose of this investigation would be to determine whether the smaller project contemplated in the act be completed by the state or whether the larger project, which would cost in the neighborhood of \$340,000, be completed and Government aid be secured in financing the larger project.

Inquiry is Allowed.
It was decided finally to allow the investigation to be made out of the funds provided in the water resources investigation act, the cost of the investigation to be repaid from the other funds if the plan is found to be feasible. Governor West placed his stamp of disapproval on any Federal aid for the project, however, he was seconded by Attorney-General Crawford, who said at the present time he is opposed to the idea of Federal aid and the completion of the larger project. He said, however, that developments may result in his changing his mind in this respect.

"The difference between the State Engineer and the settlers is that the settlers want water and Mr. Lewis wants to investigate," said the executive. "We are not trying to reclaim all of Crook County under the Columbia Southern irrigation act, but we are endeavoring to aid the stranded settlers. If this thing is a failure I am willing to take my medicine, but if it is a success we will all share in the credit."

West Attacks Lewis.
"The Legislature depends upon your investigations," continued the Governor turning to State Engineer Lewis, "and we all took it for granted you knew what you were talking about and now you want to shift the responsibility onto the Federal Government. As far as co-operation with the Federal Government is concerned I don't want anything to do with it and am decidedly opposed to it."

The State Engineer in his letter stated that he believed it would be more advisable to carry on the project under the supervision of the more stable Federal Government. As far as political board, which perhaps would shift in a few years and its members be gone before the project was finished. "Don't you think I will be gone before the project is finished?" declared the Governor. "I intend to see it finished while I am here and I won't be on this board two years from now either."

It was decided that the water users may appoint a water master for the project, this water master to be paid by them and to take care of the maintenance fund. From communications received today it is probable that Fred M. Wallace will be the selection for water master without any opposition.

CHEHALIS PLANS SAVING

City Commissioners May Arrange
With Coal Firm to Use Bunkers.

CHEHALIS, Wash., March 12.—(Special).—To effect an economy in the handling of crushed rock, gravel and sand for use in sidewalk and street construction here, the City Commissioners probably will make an arrangement with the Sheldon Coal Company, which has built large bunkers in the south end of town for use of same.

The County of Lewis will also likely arrange to use the bunkers for material that will be used near here in road work. The bunkers were built large enough to accommodate not only the business of the city, but also at this time will accommodate the city and county. Inasmuch as the city will engage in an extensive sidewalk and street building campaign this season and the county will likewise build some more concrete roads, a big saving can be made in handling the same.

CITIZENS OPPOSE PAVING

Insinuation of Graft Is Hurdled at
Centralia Councilmen.

CENTRALIA, Wash., March 12.—(Special).—The meeting of this Centralia City Commission yesterday was probably the stormiest Council meeting in the history of the city, the Councilroom being packed with interested property owners who forcibly voiced their objections to the proposition paving in the south end of the city.

Insinuations of graft were made. When one woman hinted at a recall petition if the paving was put through, Mayor Tompkins jumped to his feet and defied those present to recall one instance wherein the Commissioners had failed to fulfill one promise made by them.

The Commissioners laid the matter over for a week, amid a storm of protest.

FARMERS URGED TO COME

C. C. Chapman Makes Address Before
Dallas Commercial Club.

DALLAS, Or., March 12.—(Special).—Making a strong plea for concerted action by the commercial organizations of the Pacific Northwest to secure immigration to Oregon of the sturdy farm folk of Germany, Holland, Sweden, Norway and Switzerland, C. C. Chapman, in detail the great work of development being done by the Oregon Development League, C. C. Chapman, Secretary of the Oregon Development

League, was the principal speaker and guest of honor at the second annual banquet of the Dallas Commercial Club last night.

The banquet was attended by 75 persons. State Senator C. L. Hawley made a short address in response to the toast, "Why Is a Legislature?" Senator Hawley created much good feeling when he addressed the women present as "fellow citizens." Other speakers of the evening were: Walter L. Toole, Jr., who represented the Dallas Commercial Club and responded to the toast, "What Has the Commercial Club Accomplished?" H. C. Seymour, County School Superintendent; Mrs. Irene Gerlinger, president of the Woman's Club of Dallas; Rev. Edgar Miles, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church; Eugene Foster, editor of the Polk County Observer and calendar clerk at the last

PORTLAND GIRL IS SOLOIST IN UNIVERSITY OF OREGON GIRLS' GLEE CLUB.



Miss Florence Cleveland.
UNIVERSITY OF OREGON.
Eugene, March 12.—(Special).—The first women's glee club concert ever attempted at the University of Oregon will be given here Friday night. The only part of the entire entertainment in which masculine assistance has been summoned is in the one-act skit entitled, "When the Irish Meet the Greeks," when a quartet of male serenaders will appear incidentally. Miss Florence Cleveland, of Hood River, president of the club, and Miss Florence Cleveland, of Portland, will be heard in a double number, "At Parting" (Rogers) and "An Open Secret" (Woodman). Miss Cleveland will first sing, Benneberg's "Nymphs and Fauns," and later she will appear in Nevins' "Wink, Blink and Nod," accompanied by the entire club. Misses Gladys and Constance Cartwright, of Salem, will be featured in a specialty entitled, "Way Down South." A violin trio, composed of Miss Meta Goldsmith, Miss Mary DeBar and Miss Lucile Abrams, all of Eugene, will be another number. The club numbers 23.

COFFEE CLUB IS OPENED

Eugene Business and Professional
Men to Help Social Center.

EUGENE, Or., March 12.—(Special).—The first coffee club in the state was opened for business today following the formal reception and opening yesterday. The "club" is under the patronage of a number of Eugene business and professional men, and is under the management of C. L. Gano, who came from similar work at Turlock to take charge of the Eugene Coffee Club.

It is proposed to make of the "club" a self-supporting social center, more especially for the workmen and others who, not being members of the Commercial Club or a similar organization, have a place to pass time with companions.

A lunch counter in connection is the means for paying of expenses. A free employment bureau is also to be maintained.

Reading and game rooms are provided, and also rest rooms for the women.

STUDENTS HEAR EDITOR

Mr. Piper Makes Address at Oregon
Agricultural College.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Or., March 12.—(Special).—Edgar B. Piper, managing editor of The Oregonian, in a convocation speaker at Oregon Agricultural College today, addressed 1100 students and faculty members on the subject of "The Novice in Journalism."

To give aspiring young journalists a model after which they might well fashion their stories while striving for simplicity of style and perfect description, the speaker read from the Bible and showed wherein it fulfilled every essential of a well-written modern newspaper story.

"To be a successful journalist or newspaper man," concluded Mr. Piper, "one should have a great human curiosity, a deep interest in affairs, a fair knowledge of history and economics, industry and a steadfast desire to be successful."

CHECK 'KITERS' CONVICTED

Federal Jury Finds Verdict Against
Oklahoma Bankers.

OKLAHOMA CITY, March 12.—Raymond H. Hoss and his brother, C. M. Hoss, bankers, of Fairfax, Okla., were convicted today of fraud by a Federal court jury at Guthrie. Sentence has not been passed.

It was charged that the bankers drew bills of exchange on National banks with intent to defraud and that they "kited" cashiers' checks for large amounts.

Burglar Misses Opportunity.

WASHOUGAL, Wash., March 12.—(Special).—The residence of John Ledford was robbed last night by a sneak thief who went through his trousers pockets and secured 61 cents for his pains. Had he been sharp enough to examine the garments of Mr. Ledford's wife he might have harvested the handsome sum of \$100. Mr. Ledford says his money will be in the bank hereafter where the burglar can find it if he's willing to take the risk.

"Washougal Times" Christened.

WASHOUGAL, Wash., March 12.—(Special).—The new paper which is to be launched next week has been christened "The Washougal Times." It starts under especially favorable conditions and has received a warm welcome from the people of this section. D. L. MacMillan is the editor and owner and will be assisted by his wife.

PIPER WAGE BILL GOES ON TO LISTER

Governor Said to Favor Reasonable
Compensation for
Women.

SESSION FIGHT IS VICTORY

Under Provisions of King County
Senator's Measure There Is Created
Public Welfare Commission
to Fix Minimum Wage.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 12.—(Special).—With only 12 dissenting votes the House of Representatives of the Washington Legislature today passed the women's minimum wage bill, fathered by Senator George U. Piper, of King County. The bill, which has been passed by the Senate, will go to Governor Lister tomorrow and undoubtedly will be signed, the Governor having expressed the opinion that he favors any measure which makes possible a reasonable compensation for labor performed by women and girls.

In the passage of the measure Senator Piper brought to a close a fight to which he has devoted the greater part of his time in the Legislature during the present session. It marks the success of legislation which has been drafted after hard work and investigation by a number of the leading social workers of Portland, Seattle, Tacoma and other parts of the world, organized as the Consumers' League.

Under the provisions of the bill there is created a public welfare commission consisting of five members, four to be appointed by the Governor and the fifth to be the State Commissioner of Labor. The commission is empowered to fix a minimum wage for women and minors by districts, the wage to be determined by the commission after an investigation into the cost of living.

Commission's Power Defined.
The commission is given power to summon witnesses, examine books of corporations and to prescribe rules governing the conditions under which women and minors shall work in factories. The bill provides that the members of the commission shall not have been connected with either an employer's organization or a labor union within five years of the time of appointment in the commission.

The House made no amendments to the bill, passing it as the Senate had sent it over after its passage by that body about three weeks ago. The only Senate amendments made were those regarding qualifications of members of the commission and an amendment providing that the minimum wage in a district cannot be changed by the commission more than once in a year.

The House considered, as well as the Piper bill, a measure introduced by Mrs. N. J. Jordon Crooks, of Tacoma, providing a fixed minimum wage of \$7.50 a week. Declarations by a number of the lawyers in the House and by the Attorney-General that such a measure would not stand the constitutional test caused the bill to be voted down.

Vote on the final passage of the Piper bill was 22 to 12.

House Passes Draught Bill.
The House today passed the measure,

passed by the Senate last week, applying the principles of the drastic Iowa red light abatement law to this state. The measure, which will go to the Governor tomorrow for approval or veto, provides that any person having evidence of the existence of a house of ill repute in any building or place may bring suit to enjoin such place.

If it is found that the charges are true the judge may issue a permanent injunction, which order carries with it a provision for the closing of the building for six months, during which time it is unlawful for any person excepting police officers to enter. In addition to this the furniture, musical instruments and all contents of the building may be condemned and sold at public auction, the proceeds to go to defray the cost of the injunction suit.

In case the complainant in the action fails to substantiate his or her charges the costs of the action are assessed against such person. The bill passed the House by vote of 66 to 21. The House also passed a bill passed by the Senate appropriating \$50,000 for the establishment and maintenance of county tuberculosis hospitals.

Conducting their unusually fast fight, the two Houses today added \$3,686,321.64 to the appropriations of the session, totalling now close to \$19,000,000. Including in the appropriations put through was a bill for \$3,295,000 for the permanent highway fund for use in building county roads and state secondary highways. A supplemental budget containing incidental appropriations for the various institutions and departments carried a total of \$425,321.64 and \$50,000 was appropriated to a fund to establish county tuberculosis hospitals.

COFFEY CHARGES DISCRIMINATION

Pacific and Sunset Telephone
Companies Scored in
Complaint.

OLYMPIA SCENE OF ACTION

Inattention, Carelessness or Misjudgment Alleged by Portland Men
In Case Now Before Wash-
ington Commission.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 12.—(Special).—In a complaint filed with the Public Service Commission here today by John B. Coffey, receiver, and Jay Bowerman, attorney, for the Northwestern Long-Distance Telephone Company, the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company and the Sunset Telephone & Telegraph Company are charged with having established unreasonable, unfair and discriminatory rules for the handling of messages and to have diverted from the Northwestern Company several thousand dollars' worth of business each month by unfair methods.

The complainants demand that the Public Service Commission act upon the matter as soon as possible.

It is charged that the Pacific Company, in operating its plant at Seattle and in other cities, has placed its employees who operate that portion of its switchboard in connecting with the lines of the complainant in such a position that it is difficult to reach, and by reason of this fact messages intended for the Northwestern Company are diverted to the lines of the Pacific Company.

Call Is Diverted.
In many instances the call is by various methods diverted to a Pacific operator, it is alleged, either through carelessness, misjudgment or inattention. It is alleged in Tacoma like conditions prevail, according to the complainants.

The Northwestern Company has requested of the Pacific Company to permit it to place its own employees in the capacity of supervisor in its long-distance operating room at Seattle, the complainant further recites, but that company positively refused the request.

The complainants demanded positive instructions from the Public Service Commission to the Pacific Company that the operators be required to ask each receiving operator to ask the customer what service he desires and then give it with impartiality, and also to permit that company to have its own employees present to supervise. Different colored slips are also suggested upon which the calls as they come in are to be recorded, so that a mistake be less easily made.

Other Demands Made.
Messengers of fidelity and sufficient judgment to convey these delivery slips are also demanded, and an arrangement in the exchange room which would give the complainant equal advantages with the Pacific Company.

The complaint recites the history of the competing telephone and telegraph companies in the Northwest and gives a description of all the telephone lines which are now being operated by the Northwestern Company, covering, with independent telephone plants and with

local stations, more than 300 cities and towns in Washington and Oregon.

It recites how the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company acquired the Sunset and the Independent companies.

SALEM, Or., March 12.—(Special).—It is probable that a test suit will be started to determine whether initiative measures may be voted on at the special election called by the Legislature for September 2. It was apparently the intent of the Legislature that only those measures which are referred

should be passed upon at this time, but apparent conflicts between the act and the constitution raises a question as to whether it should be confined solely to referendum measures.

W. S. U'ren has written to the Attorney-General in regard to this point and that office made no decision, but suggested the advisability of a test suit to determine the question.

TEST SUIT MAY BE HAD

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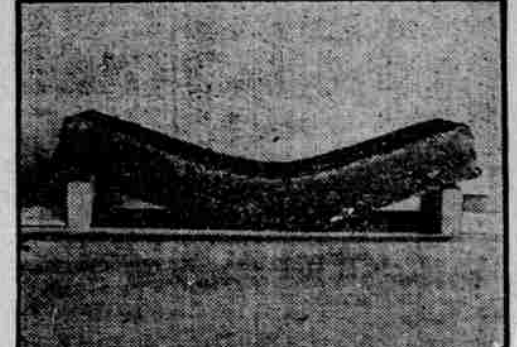
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