

THREE ASK CHANGE IN LEASE OF LAKES

Amendment Calls for Bond Guaranteeing Payment for Labor and Material.

NEW CLAUSES OPPOSED

Senate Committee Is Divided on Condition of Grant and Right Loans—Stock Sale Regulation Also Embodied.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—The Forbes House bill approving the lease of Summer and Abbot Lakes to Jason Moore finally emerged from the Senate committee on public lands.

Attached to the report of the committee is a recommendation signed by three of the members that the bill be so amended that the lessee will be required to execute a bond guaranteeing payment for all labor and material contracted for.

There is strong opposing sentiment in the committee, as well as in the body of the Senate, regarding the new conditions on the lease. The reason for advancing the amendment is that certain laborers and material men have not received payment for work and materials furnished a former lessee of the lakes, whose enterprise was abandoned, and that the state should take precaution against turning its property over to a possible stock jobbing corporation to exploit.

Committee Is Divided. In the committee meeting Senators Stewart and Kildee opposed the amendment while Senators Day, Bingham and Barrett favored it. Its adoption will be fought out on the floor of the Senate.

Whether incorporation of such an amendment would cause Jason Moore to abandon the lease, it is understood, depends upon the effects the proposed precaution against stock jobbing would have on the original lease. Under it Mr. Moore now has legal possession of the lakes. Since the Land Board entered into the lease, subject only to legislative approval, questions have entered upon the land. If the new stipulation can be made that the state should terminate of the existing lease and the entering into a new one the entire proposal will be rejected, according to Mr. Moore's counsel, Attorney Shepherd.

The reason is that even a brief termination of the existing lease would turn the tables. Instead of the squatters having to sue the state for possession as is the case at present, Mr. Moore would have to sue them. The advantages of possession are said to be great.

Companion Bill Is Filed. What is proposed as a needed authorization in the event the lease to Jason Moore falls, is a companion bill, drafted by the public lands committee. This bill empowers the state Land Board to lease the lakes, but makes the same requirements concerning payment of labor and material claims and protection of the state against stock jobbing as is contained in the amendment.

It is an interesting sidelight that representatives of Moore in the first negotiations with the state over the lease deemed it an unnecessary provision.

Coincident with the approach of final action in the lake lease matter is the entry of probably the last word in irrigation appropriations. Representative Hinkle, one of the leading advocates of irrigation laws, presented a resolution in the House which implies an abandonment of all thought of direct state aid to irrigation at this session. The resolution notes the recommendation by Secretary Lane that \$450,000 be appropriated for co-operative reclamation of the north canal project in Central Oregon and expresses pleasure over the just consideration given Oregon irrigation requests by Secretary Lane, but the resolution admits inability of the state to take on any new tax burden at this time and urges that the proposed Federal appropriation be met with the expectation that the next Oregon Legislature will make provision for matching it.

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BRIDGE BILL IS PASSED

HOUSE MEASURE PROVIDES SYSTEM FOR INTERSTATE SPAN.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—Representative Huston's bill to provide a system of operating interstate bridges between Portland and Vancouver, Wash., was passed by the House this afternoon.

The measure provides that tolls be collected, but the rate of toll and the distribution of the funds between Clark County, Washington, and Multnomah County, Oregon, is not designated. That is left for the respective Boards of County Commissioners to settle.

It provides, however, that 25 per cent of the net proceeds for the tolls collected shall be retained after actual costs of operating are paid—placed in a sinking fund for the purpose of continuing the life of the bridge, either by replacement by redemption of the bonds or otherwise. The balance of the net proceeds will be paid into the state treasury to reimburse the state for the interest that it now pays on the bonds against the bridge.

TAX SYSTEM IS REVISED IN BILL

House Passes Measure on Recommendation of Joint Committee.

assessment and taxation of the House and the Senate.

At least one-half the tax must be paid at the first date. The tax-paying dates are April 5 and October 5. A penalty of 1 per cent a month is charged on delinquent payments, and if the delinquency extends beyond November 5 an additional penalty of 5 per cent is provided.

EXEMPTION IS INCREASED

Mr. Olson Proposes to Benefit Small Homestead Owner.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—Representative Olson's homestead exemption bill passed the House this afternoon with a big majority.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS DWINDLE

Lincoln, Washington and Columbus Days Taken Off Rest List.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—Boys and girls hereafter will have to go to school on Lincoln's birthday, Washington's birthday and Columbus day just the same as on other days with the exception that the trading stamp days will be set aside for patriotic exercises. The House yesterday passed Senator Hawley's bill which makes such provisions.

EIGHT ACTS BECOME LAWS

Governor Affixes Signature to Various House Bills.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Governor Withycombe today signed the following bills:

LOAN SHARKS ROPED IN

PAWNSHOPS REGULATED, TOO, IN BILL PASSED BY HOUSE.

License of \$100 a Year Is Added to Regular Levies Imposed by City. Power Given Examiner.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—Loan sharks and pawnshops are to be placed under regulation of the State Bank Examiner and other officers in their operations, according to the terms of a bill passed by the House this afternoon. The measure was carefully worked out by the House committee on banking.

It requires every establishment coming under provisions of the act to pay an annual license of \$100 in addition to whatever licenses are prescribed by city ordinance. A surety bond of \$1000 is required. All are required to keep an accurate record of their transactions for inspection.

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H. B. 138, by Smith of Multnomah—To appropriate \$50,000 to meet similar funds supplied by Federal Government for agricultural experiment work.

H. B. 139, by committee on military affairs—Reorganizing militia and appropriating \$15,000.

H. B. 140, by committee on justice—To amend and salaries of officers of Jefferson County.

H. B. 141, by Childs—To prescribe a new method of rotating election ballot and reduce cost of printing same.

H. B. 142, by Tom Brown—To levy excise tax on gross receipts of persons, firms and corporations using trading stamps.

TRADE STAMPS OUT

House Passes Bill Against Magnetizing Stickers.

DOOM READ IN MEASURE

Five Per Cent on Gross Receipts Levied Against System and Stores—Act Is Rushed to Senate.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—An anti-trading stamp bill, introduced to drive the popular trade magnet completely out of the state, was passed by the House this afternoon. The measure was introduced by Representative Thomas Brown, of Marion. Senator LaPollett, of Marion, was the author of a similar bill in the Senate.

The measure levies a 5 per cent excise tax on the gross receipts not only of all concerns conducting a trading stamp system in the state, but on all merchants who use them. It was adopted by those who sponsored the bill that the measure probably will put an end to the trading stamp business. Ostensibly, however, the measure is intended to raise funds for the state, as the receipts from the tax will be set aside to go into the state treasury.

Representative Brown painted a dreary picture of the misfortune of the small merchant who is made to compete with the concern that gives away trading stamps as an inducement to attract custom. He declared that the trading stamp is an unnatural trade condition, that it is an economic waste and that it really proves an expensive attachment to the business of the merchant who uses it. This expense, he declared, must be borne, in the end, by the consumer.

Representative Olson opposed the bill largely on the grounds that he considered it unconstitutional. He said that other states have held similar enactments unconstitutional. He ridiculed the idea that the state should legislate against merchants who are entrepreners enough to make efforts to attract trade.

"We might as well legislate against the man who puts a bright electric sign in front of his store or against the one who advertises," he said. "The bill had an overwhelming majority in the House and was rushed over to the Senate at once."

JACKSON WINS ROAD FUND

House Passes Pacific Highway Bill Giving County \$48,000.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—Jackson County delegates today won their fight for a 29 per cent division of the state road funds in building the Pacific Highway across the Siskiyou Mountains in Jackson County.

Under the present law the quarter-mile state road tax nets about \$240,000 for the state highway fund. The bill passed by the House today would enable the Highway Commission to spend \$48,000 of this money in Jackson County.

NEW PAVING BILL IS FILED

Senate Road Committee Has Act Giving All Chance to Bid.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—As a substitute for the Bingham paving bill, the Senate committee on roads and highways today introduced a bill which is designed to give all paving concerns a chance to bid.



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Young men's clothes with dash and style—tailored in the mode of the hour.

\$15 to \$30

BEN SELLING

Morrison at Fourth

on state and county hard-surface roads. It provides that the State Highway Commission shall adopt standard specifications for the laying and construction of several kinds of hard-surface pavement which it deems best suited to the needs of the state. It shall include asphaltic concrete, hydraulic concrete and the patented pavements. The Commission shall furnish copies of the specifications to every County Court in the state.

The specifications shall provide the quantity and proportions of materials and ingredients composing the various pavements and the manner of determining the quality and standard, which must be in accordance with the best approved engineering practices. It is further provided:

"Whenever it is proposed to improve any road or highway with a hard-surface pavement the State Highway Commission, the County Court or the Board of County Commissioners shall invite bids and proposals in the manner provided by law for making such improvement upon specifications adopted by the State Highway Commission, and shall let the contract for making the improvement to the lowest responsible bidder."

SENATE PASSES MORE BILLS

Butler's Measure Creates New Judicial District of Crook-Jefferson.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—The following bills were passed by the Senate today:

S. B. 217, by Perkins—To amend section 5, section 2617, Lord's Oregon Laws, defining duties of State Tax Commission.

S. B. 224, by Burgess—Enables all dealers in House cases, provided package contains poison label.

MISS TOWNE RESENTS METHOD

Woman Representative Wants Loose-Leaf System for Bill Record.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—A loose-leaf system of binding and filing the printed bills, memoranda, resolutions and other official legislative documents is proposed in a resolution submitted to the House tonight by Miss Towne. The resolution mildly criticizes the

Quality First advertisement featuring an illustration of a woman and text about soup: "What soup shall I have?" That is the puzzling question! Are you planning an elaborate function? Or is it one of those semi-formal "little" dinners, or luncheons which help to make the social world go round? In any case the wise and easy answer may well be Campbell's Tomato Soup.

KONDON'S CATARRHAL JELLY advertisement: "Quit Sneezing! A Little Kondon's Catarrhal Jelly placed in the nostrils will bring relief. Your draught guarantees it. Money back if it fails. A 25c or 50c tube of KONDON'S Original and Genuine CATARRHAL JELLY. Don't delay. Use it at once. Its soothing, soothing, healing effects are wonderful. Best thing you can use for chronic nasal catarrh, colds, influenza, sneezing, dry catarrh, sore nose, nose bleed, etc. 15,000,000 tubes have been sold. Write us for generous free sample. 35,000 druggists sell this splendid remedy. Avoid dangerous substitutes. KONDON AFG. CO., Minneapolis, Minn."

The Coffee Off advertisement: "Great continental savants, like Virchow, Huxeppe, Lohman, Eysenburg, von Leyden, Mendel, Fraenzel, as well as physiologists, doctors and food experts of our own country as Prof. Robinson, Dr. Wiley, Dr. Woods Hutchinson, Prof. Allyn, Mr. Alfred H. Cann and Dr. Goudies have bestowed much attention on coffee and have recognized it as the cause of many cases of chronic caffeine poisoning. Prof. Huxeppe designates the symptoms as palpitations, tremor, fear, excitations, headaches, dizziness and insomnia. Other scientists say that coffee drinking can be the cause of heart trouble, palpitations, dilatation of the heart and disease of the arteries (arteriosclerosis)."

POSTUM advertisement: "Ten days on this famous pure food-drink not only shows up coffee, but points the way back to old-time health and comfort. Postum comes in two forms: Regular Postum which must be boiled—15c and 25c packages. Instant Postum the soluble form—made in the cup with hot water instantly—30c and 60c tins. Both kinds are drug-free, delicious, and the cost per cup is about the same. 'There's a Reason' for Postum—Sold by Grocers everywhere."

VELVET advertisement: "VELVET is like a well-broke horse—all the kick taken out an' all the spirit left in. VELVET, The Smoothest Smoking Tobacco, has all the 'spirit' flavor and fragrance that Nature puts into her Kentucky 'boroughbred' Burley de Luxe tobacco. More than 23 years' ageing mellows out every trace of bite. 10c tins and 5c metal-lined bags. Lippett & Myers Tobacco Co."