

SHIELDS OPPOSES FERRIS BILL READY FOR DEBATE

Measure Applying to Development of Navigable Streams Differs From Ferris Bill.

PASSAGE SEEMS LIKELY

Western Senators and Those Opposed to Ferris Bill Said to Favor, as Does Commerce Committee, Which Has Reported.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 17.—When the Senate disposes of the Philippine independence bill, now being debated, Senator Shields, of Tennessee, will endeavor to have his waterpower bill made the unfinished business and keep it before the Senate until voted upon.

The Shields bill as perfected and reported to the Senate empowers the Secretary of War to issue permits for the construction of dams in navigable rivers, for power development purposes, permits to be for 50 years.

Companies Must Provide Power. Every dam built across a navigable stream must have a lock or locks for navigation purposes and the power company must furnish, free of cost, the power necessary to operate the locks.

Bill Unlike Ferris Measure. In this important particular the Shields bill differs radically from the Ferris bill, which fixes the Government charge for the use of Government land according to the amount of power developed and not according to the land value of the power site.

FERRIS BILL BEFORE HOUSE Debate is About Ended and Passage is Expected Today.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Consideration of the administration reorganization program probably will be completed tomorrow with passage of the Ferris bill to throw open for entry in 64-acre homesteads an immense area of semi-arid and mountainous land in the West.

Joseph Forrest is Dead. PENNDELTON, Or., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Joseph Forrest, a prominent Umatilla county pioneer, aged 78, died at his home, eight miles south of Athena, today from infarction of the heart.

Toledo Parent-Teachers Elect. CENTRALIA, Wash., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—A Parent-Teachers association has been organized in Toledo and the following officers elected: W. F. Ballor, president; Mrs. Lottie Lyon, secretary; and Mrs. H. H. Hursel, treasurer.

Postmasters Are Confirmed. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 17.—The Senate today confirmed the appointments of the following postmasters: Oregon—T. J. Anderson, Harrisburg; James W. Dunn, St. Benedict; Idaho—Josephine Erwin, Mulliken; Leslie Beasley, Warden.

GET RID OF SCROFULA HOW? TAKE S. S. S. Fifty Years' Use Proves S. S. S. Will Relieve Stubborn Cases.

You have noticed the little festering pimples on the face and body—swelling of the glands—swelling in the legs and arm muscles. These are the symptoms of Scrofula. You may have some of these symptoms, possibly the taint of Scrofula infection.

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MOVING PICTURE NEWS



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TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Majestic—"The Battle Cry of Peace." National—"The Greater Will." Sunset—"Rosemary." Pickford—"Blue Grass." Peoples—"Mice and Men." The Goddess—"Let Katy Do It." Columbia—"Let Katy Do It." "The Great Pearl Tangle."

HEA MITCHELL, the charming Portland girl and former member of the Baker Stock Company, who has just become a member of the newly organized Mutual Masterpicture Company of the Signal Film Corporation of Los Angeles, is not to be left behind in the era of specialization in motion picture work.

There is nothing which overwhelms this girl, whose birthplace is Portland. She is fair-haired, soft-eyed and gentle-mannered, but she can jump from a cliff, fall from a burning boat into the sea, or allow herself to sink in quicksands, as readily and as nonchalantly as though she were dressing for a party.

Miss Mitchell went into the Baker Stock Company upon graduating from school, and afterwards appeared in vaudeville in Portland with Sidney Ayres, well known in stock here. Recently she moved with her mother to Southern California, so that the family might be near her screen engagements.

Mary Miles Minter, the 15-year-old Metro star, was born in New York City. Her name is Juliet Shelby, which she discarded, thinking it sounded "too starchy." Miss Minter is going to play "Little Nell" very soon.

J. G. Von Herberg, secretary of the Greater Theaters Corporation of Seattle, is a Portland visitor. Mr. Von Herberg's company is the largest of the character in the Northwest, operating in addition to the Columbia Theatre, at Portland, the splendid new Coliseum and the Liberty, Alhambra and Mission theaters, of Seattle.

Elsie Esmond, a former Baker Stock ingenue, whose marriage to Robert Morris, stage director of that house several years ago, was solemnized in Portland, is to appear on the screen at the Pickford Theater Wednesday in "The City," a pictureization of the Clyde Fitch success.

Manager Noble, of the National Theater, is paying special attention to his musical programmes these days, and promises something big in store for his patrons in the near future.

Lieutenant Rockwell, of Vancouver, witnessed a screening of "The Battle Cry of Peace" at the Majestic Theater, and announced that Wednesday afternoon he would bring 65 men over from the port to witness the production which preaches such a strong sermon for National preparedness.

Manager Myrick, of the Columbia Theater, is remodeling the lighting and curtain arrangements of his home of the photodrama. One of the latest novelties he has introduced, and one which meets with much favor, is the screening of the Goddess of Liberty and the National flag after each performance.

Ira J. Dodge, the Medford man who has been traveling throughout the Northwest for George Kleine for some time, made his first Portland visit as Northwestern manager of that film-releasing concern yesterday. He succeeds J. D. Jameson, and has headquarters at Seattle.

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Hazel Dawn is bursting with delight over the kindness and generosity of her father, who has just presented the Famous Players-Paramount star with a magnificent Pierce limousine.

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film, in which appear Governor Whitman, of New York, and other officials, has the endorsement of a number of prominent people, the Ohio censors, noted for their strict rulings, recommending that every girl in the country see the film.

Charles Richman, hero of "The Battle Cry of Peace," is to be found every evening at 6 o'clock bathing in the surf of Brighton Beach. He is striving to acclimate himself for the filming trip to Nova Scotia, which starts within a few days.

New Yorkers have been considerably agitated over the "Masked Marvel," a wrestler who has not been positively identified. The consensus of opinion is that Francis X. Bushman, Metro star and athlete, is the mysterious unknown. Bushman and Beverly Swayne are to be seen soon in a two-act series of pictures.

The Mustang (Mutual) press agent says that Nell Franzen, formerly of Portland, owns one of the largest ranches in South Dakota, and superintends its affairs.

In the Pathe Gold Rooster play, "New York," adapted from A. H. Wood's play of the name, and produced by George Fitzmaurice, there are some bedroom scenes in which are used lace sheets which cost \$250. The bedspread is of hand-embroidered silk and cost \$450. Florence Reed stars in the picture.

"Mice and Men," the new Famous Players-Paramount production, in which Marguerite Clark is starred, is an adaptation of the famous play by Madeline Lucette Ryley in the stage version of which Annie Russell and Lady Gertrude Forbes played with great personal successes in New York and London, respectively.

Robert Warwick, whose next film starring venture will be in World Film's feature, "The Ambition of Mark Trutt," is an exceptionally powerful long-distance swimmer. He takes particular delight in risking himself far out in the stormiest sort of surf when hardly any other bathers dare venture off the beach.

Lionel Barrymore weighed 260 pounds when he first went into motion pictures about two years ago. Now he tips the beam at 140. Asked how he lost so much weight, he replied with a laugh: "Getting up early mornings." He is starred in "The Yellow Streak," a five-part Metro feature.

For the exclusive benefit of their players, the Fine Arts Company has engaged an experienced physician, who will have a permanent office within studio bounds.

Dr. R. K. Hackett, who will be in charge of this office, is a member of the Louisiana State Medical, Orleans Parish and American Medical societies.

More than 400 saloons failed to renew their licenses in New York City last Fall. The answer: Motion pictures. No longer does the widowed mother see her two sons in the street, or the doctor, the first one staggering in the door with the "second reel to follow."

SLOGANS BEING SIFTED

FESTIVAL CONTEST WINNER TO BE ANNOUNCED TOMORROW.

Inclusion of Phrase and Highway Dedication Mention in Letters to East is Sought.

The announcement of the name of the winner of the 1916 Rose Festival slogan contest will be announced tomorrow. More than 10,000 of the 12,000 phrases received at Festival headquarters, in the Northwest Bank building, have been eliminated, and from the 200 remaining slogans the winner will be picked at the meeting of the Festival directors tonight.

People writing letters to all parts of the country this week will be asked to include the Festival dates, June 7, 8 and 9, as well as the slogan and other features of the big three-day celebration. Governor's Festival also request that when letters are written describing the beauties of the Columbia River Highway that mention be made of the fact that the National dedication of the great roadway will be one of the features of the opening day of the 10th annual rose festival, and to make mention of this fact.

Business houses of Portland are asked to use the Festival dates, as well as the 1916 slogan, on all letter heads and stationery.

W. C. Wilkes, chairman of the transportation committee and assistant general freight and passenger agent of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway, is in touch with the traffic departments of local as well as foreign lines regarding the exploitation of the June show.

Wenatchee Business Men Elect. WENATCHEE, Wash., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the Wenatchee Business Men's Association was held at the Commercial Club Friday night. Trustees to fill the vacancies caused by expiration of terms and removals from the city were elected.

W. C. T. U. Leader Mourned. CENTRALIA, Wash., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—The Southwest W. C. T. U. Central W. C. T. U. today published resolutions on the death of Mrs. Dora M. Harrison, a prominent temperance worker of this city, who died last week. Mrs. Harrison was president of the Southwest Union.

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WAGONS CROSS COLUMBIA

Frozen River Supports Traffic to North Bank—La Grande and Nearby Points Report Extreme Low Temperatures.

PENDELTON, Or., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—All official weather records were broken in Pendleton this morning, when the temperature dropped to 23 degrees below zero at 7 o'clock. No hope for moderation is given out by Weather Observer Averill.

Today at 2 o'clock the thermometer stood at two degrees below zero, while yesterday at the same time the temperature was at zero. Several of the strains in the public schools had to be dismissed today on account of the cold rooms. Old-timers state that the present cold snap is yet far short of the year 1883, when the temperature reached 25 degrees below zero.

1000 CALL FOR PLUMBERS

Many Water Pipes Frozen in Walla Walla; Kitchen Ranges Wrecked. WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Last night's low temperature was a duplicate of that of the night before, seven below. Clear skies continued in the schools had to be dismissed today on account of the cold rooms.

Frozen pipes in the Russell home, 911 Alvarado terrace, caused an explosion when the fire was lighted in the kitchen range. The stove was wrecked and two members of the family hurt. Several other ranges blew up, but no one was hurt.

TEMPERATURE UP; WIND COLD

Further Moderation in Portland Today is Forecast. Despite the cold east wind of yesterday the temperature recorded was considerably warmer than for a number of days, a maximum of 39 degrees being attained at 3 and 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. A minimum of 24 degrees was registered.

Today's forecast indicates a still higher rise in temperature, with easterly winds. Yesterday's hourly temperatures follow:

Table with 2 columns: Time and Temperature. 5 A.M. 25, Noon 28, 1 P.M. 28, 2 P.M. 28, 3 P.M. 28, 4 P.M. 28, 5 P.M. 28, 6 P.M. 28, 7 P.M. 28, 8 P.M. 28, 9 P.M. 28, 10 P.M. 28, 11 A.M. 27, 12 P.M. 28.

LA GRANDE FEELS 7 BELOW

Other Nearby Points Report Mercury Down as Far as 22.

LA GRANDE, Or., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Sunday was the coldest day, save on two other occasions, during the 15 years Government records have been kept here. The maximum rise yesterday was 12 above zero.

In 1910 and 1902 records of 10 and 9, respectively, were registered. Last night's mark of seven below was a low mark for five years in this city. Traffic is moving slowly. Plumbers are swamped with rush orders.

Other nearby mercury slumps last night were: Enterprise, 22; North Powder, 22; Union, 22; Walla Walla, 22; Koda, 22; Covey, 11; Elgin, 22, and Summerville, 22, all below zero.

TEAMS CROSS COLUMBIA ON ICE

Mercury Drops to 17 Below Zero at The Dalles.

THE DALLES, Or., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—This city is experiencing one of the coldest spells in its history, the mercury falling to 17 below zero last night. The maximum temperature this afternoon was 4 above. During 43 years, the period for which an official record has been kept, the Dalles has been colder than 17 only twice, in February, 1884, and on January 12, 1910.

A heavy blanket of snow covers the ground. Teams hauling loads are now being driven across the Columbia River here.

Mercury 11 Below in Baker.

BAKER, Or., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Baker this morning had a return visit of 11-below-zero weather, making the coldest January weather here in four years. Other places in the vicinity reported below-zero temperatures as follows: Sumpter, 10; Whitney, 20; Tipton, 4; Austin, 10; Dixie, 3; North Powder, 28; Haines, 33; Telocast, 10; Union Junction, 14; Prairie City, zero.

Dufur Has 13 Below Zero.

DUFUR, Or., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Last night the temperature dropped to 13 below zero, the lowest on record here since 1909. The recent fall of record has been the extreme cold which has driven the game birds to the ranches for food, and large numbers of pheasants and grouse are being fed by ranchers.

Ellensburg Has 20 Below Zero.

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ELECTION OFFICIALS FREED

President Pardons Oklahomans Who Intimidated Negroes. WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Frank Gwin and J. J. Beal, Oklahoma farmers, who, as election officials were convicted in the Federal courts of intimidating negroes and preventing their voting under the grandfather clause of the Oklahoma constitution, were pardoned today by President Wilson.

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