

LEGION WILL ASK FOR STATE BONUS

Legislation Similar to That of Washington Favored.

LOAN OR CASH WANTED

Veterans Point Out That State Would Benefit by Addition of Homes or Cultivated Farms.

ALTERNATIVES OFFERED IN STATE BONUS.

First—Home or farm loan of \$400 to \$2000, depending on length of service, to cost a percent a year, 2½ per cent applying on the principal, the remainder on the interest.

Second—Cash bonus of \$15 per month of service between dates of April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918.

State legislation which will offer the alternative of a \$2000 farm or home loan or a cash compensation at the rate of \$15 per month of service for world war veterans will be pressed by the American Legion, department of Oregon, as a result of action by the state executive committee, in session in Portland yesterday.

Submission of a bill to the legislature, to be referred by referendum to the people of the state at the next election, was determined and the essential features of the proposed measure discussed. The legislature also decided to sponsor in the legislature a bill similar to the Japanese law of California, aimed to prevent land holdings by orientals in the state. It was pointed out that the adoption of the California law caused an influx of Japanese into Oregon.

Hope for Congress Fades.

Agitation for a state soldiers' bonus, begun by Portland post of the American Legion at a recent meeting and actively supported by Oregon City, Eugene and other posts throughout the state, was given a spur when the Oregon ex-service men decided that the senate had no intention of passing favorably upon similar national legislation, announced G. L. Goodell of Portland, vice-commander of the department.

"The number of ex-service men who will benefit directly by a cash bonus is small compared with those who would be aided indirectly by a home loan," he suggested, "and for that reason I believe that they should be given an alternative. Further, we must consider the benefit to the state of home-owning citizens whose loyalty and service has been proved during the world war."

Home Feature Incorporated.

Though in none of the proposals of individual posts before the executive committee was mention made of a home loan feature, the department executive committee decided to include it in its inclusion. E. F. Fortmiller of Albany and Howard Gildea of McMinnville considered the home or farm loan a far better proposition from the viewpoint of both state and individual than the cash bonus, though they believed that the ex-service men desiring the cash bonus should be awarded such "adjusted compensation."

Ben S. Morrow, committeeman from Portland, also spoke for the dual bill, which was clearly the choice also of William S. Gilbert of Astoria, department commander, and Edward J. Elvers of Portland, department adjutant.

The cash bonus provision in the bill to be drafted will be virtually identical with that in the Washington state law, passed by three to one majority by the people of that state at the November election. It will provide for the payment to veterans of the world war who were enlisted or inducted into the army, navy or marine corps of the United States of \$15 for each month or major portion thereof served between the dates of April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918.

\$2000 to Be Limit.

The alternative to the cash bonus would be the loan by the state of Oregon, to veterans desiring to apply the money for the purchase of a home or farm, of \$400 for each three months of service or portion thereof, not to exceed \$2000, however. Five per cent of the loan would be paid to the state annually, 2½ per cent of which would apply on the principal, the remainder as interest. Those eligible to the loan would be the same as those entitled to the cash bonus, but the adoption of either plan would bar from participation in the other.

The average length of service of Oregon fighters is more than a year. The motion for a dual compensation bill was first made by Morrow. It was adopted by unanimous vote and Goodell then framed the detailed position taken by the executive committee on both proposals. The bill will be drafted by the legislative committee of the Legion, composed of the department officers and members of the organization in the legislature. The same committee will prepare the anti-Japanese legislation.

Upkeep of Home Favored.

The Legion went on record as favoring the opening of the old soldiers' home at Roseburg to veterans of the world war and adopted a resolution calling attention to disgraceful conditions said to exist at the home at present and endorsing a budget provision of \$105,385 for the institution.

Morrow reported concerning an investigation of Klamath Falls controversy with the California & Oregon Power company, which had resulted in the adoption of a contract proposed by the Legion. He was named chairman of a land committee to work for the opening of more government and state lands to settlers and will address a meeting of the state irrigation and reclamation congress in Portland, January 18.

HOUSE MAY REORGANIZE

INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP TO 483 HELD LIKELY.

Republicans Plan to Put Through Reapportionment Bill Based on 1920 Census.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Republican members of the house at a caucus tonight decided to put through this session of congress a bill reapportioning the membership of the house.

The plan is to make the membership correspond with increase in population as reported in the 1920 census.

The definite basis for the reapportionment was understood not to have been decided on at the caucus, but most of the republican members were said to favor a reasonable increase in the house membership.

LEGISLATION SIMILAR TO THAT OF WASHINGTON FAVORED.

Drafting of a reapportionment bill would be in the hands of the census committee, of which Representative Siegel, New York, is chairman. Mr. Siegel already has prepared and introduced a bill increasing the house membership from the present 435 to 483, and this bill is expected to be the basis for the reapportionment legislation. The Siegel bill would make the population basis for a congressional district between 218,000 and 219,000 instead of approximately 211,000 as at present. No state would sustain a loss in its representation in the house and 25 states would gain in representation.

Representative Tinkham, Massachusetts, urged the caucus to support his resolution directing the house census committee to investigate to what extent negroes are being denied the vote in southern states and to recommend a decrease in the representation of those states, according to the extent of disfranchisement.

FLORIDAN'S BLOOD BOILS

PARSON-GOVERNOR THREATENS TO USE SHOTGUN.

"When Is He Coming?" Asks Publisher-Health Officer and Alleged "Big Stick Boss."

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Dec. 17.—In an open letter today Rev. Sidney J. Catts, governor of Florida, threatened to go to West Palm Beach, Fla., with a "double-barrel shotgun loaded with buckshot," and hit a "final settlement" with Jos L. Earmann, president of the state board of health and publisher of the Palm Beach Post.

The chief executive wrote that he was tired of Earmann's "tyranny, arrogance and big-stick bossing," and that "this is the last warning."

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 17.—"When is he coming?" asked Jos L. Earmann of West Palm Beach today when informed of Governor Catts' threat to go to West Palm Beach "with his double-barrel shotgun and have a final settlement with him." Earmann said he would not run away, but would remain in Palm Beach to welcome the governor.

JUDGE FINES SPEEDERS

E. K. Majlishe Draws Fine of \$5 by Telling His Own Story.

H. Carlson was fined \$25 in Municipal Judge Rossman's court yesterday when testimony brought out that he was in the habit of making excessive speed on Willamette boulevard each morning on his way to work. Sergeant St. John, who was on duty at the time, testified that Carlson was making between 35 and 40 miles an hour. The policeman said that when he gave chase he was unable to overtake the speeder until they reached a bad stretch of pavement.

E. K. Majlishe, charged with speeding on Lombard street, caused the judge to change his penalty from a warning to a fine of \$5 by giving his version of the circumstances which caused his arrest.

"I was thoroughly convinced from the testimony of the policeman that you were actually violating the speed limit," said Judge Rossman. "but your own testimony would make it appear that you were hardly in motion. Whatever you say in this court, you should tell the truth. You are fined \$5."

CONCERT TICKETS ON SALE

Symphony Orchestra Series Will Consist of Four Events.

Season tickets for the series of popular Sunday afternoon concerts to be given by the Portland Symphony orchestra, at the public auditorium in December, January, February and April, will be placed on sale today in booths in the various department stores of the city.

Wives of the musicians interested in the success of the concerts, will handle the sale of the tickets in the Olds, Wortman & King, and the J. K. Gill stores. A committee headed by Mrs. Henry L. Corbett will be in charge of the sale in the Meier & Frank store, while the members of the McDowell club will sell the tickets in the Lipman, Wolfe & Co. store.

The season tickets will sell for \$2.50 for the series, being for the choice seats in the auditorium for each of the four concerts. Attractive envelopes will be furnished with each ticket, in order that the purchasers may use it as a Christmas gift if desired.

ARTICLE BRINGS ATTACK

Montana Banker Forces Submitted Editor to Sign Affidavit.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Dec. 17.—E. J. Moran, said to be editor of the Spotlight, weekly newspaper of Great Falls, was attacked here tonight by R. P. Noble, prominent banker, for an article published in the paper that is said to have reflected on Noble's business integrity, according to police records.

The alleged attack on Moran is said to have taken place in the office of the Spotlight and he was taken from there in an automobile to a store building on the west side of the city. At the building, the police say, Moran signed an affidavit that he was in no way connected with the paper and was then turned free.

Chief of Police Marcus Anderson of Great Falls, Sheriff J. P. Burns and Deputy County Attorney Tietze were on the scene when Moran signed the affidavit. Moran is declared to have left town tonight, presumably for Helena.

FATHER IS SUED BY GIRL

\$500,000 Asked to "Vindicate" Names of Dead Mother and Brother.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 17.—Five hundred thousand dollars for the "vindication" of the names of her mother and brother, both dead, was asked in a suit filed in the superior court here today against Joseph L. Giroux, millionaire mining operator of Los Angeles, and Marietta Nev. by his daughter, Mrs. Virginia Sauer.

The suit was based on the reputed remark of Giroux after his alleged shooting and killing of his son, George L. Giroux, at Marietta last spring that the latter was "not his son."

BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS BAKERY GOODS AT BAKE-RITE BAKERIES

251 Yamhill St., Bet. 2d and 3d
258 Yamhill St., Bet. 4th and 5th
260 Alder St., Bet. 2d and 4th

LEGALITY OF BONUS UP IN WASHINGTON

Case Argued in Court and Taken Under Advisement.

OTHER DECISIONS CITED

Payment of Compensation to Be Decided When Friendly Suit Is Decided by Bench.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—The supreme court today heard arguments on the validity of the soldiers' bond measure, submitted by the extra session of the legislature March, 1920, as a referendum measure and adopted by vote of the people at the November election. The act was proclaimed a part of the law of the state by Governor Hart on November 30.

To test the constitutionality of the law and establish the validity of bonds to be issued under its provisions, a friendly suit was brought by the state of board finance to compel C. W. Clausen, as state auditor, to issue warrants for the purchase of bonds from the state's permanent school fund to provide for the payments of compensation to the servicemen as contemplated in the act.

Validity Is Attacked.

The validity of the act was attacked on the theory that it contemplated the expenditure of funds raised by general taxation for private purposes, in violation of the constitutional provision prohibiting such expenditure except for public uses. Upon this feature of the case, Attorney-General Thompson, appearing on behalf of the state board of finance, in support of the legality of the act, contended that the services rendered were for the general public welfare and as such, may be compensated by the appropriation of public money.

The compensation, he argued, was voted by the people in recognition of the military services performed by the veterans of the late war to protect the lives, property and rights of all the people, and each citizen is equally the beneficiary of such service.

Recipient's Service Questioned.

The real question to be determined, Thompson maintained, was whether the recipient of the gratuity rendered a service to the community at large. If so, it was a public service, and compensation for such service is not within the inhibition of the constitution. Assuming the service to be public in its nature, it could make no difference whether the payment was made before or after the rendition of the service.

The attorney-general cited cases upholding the power of congress to pension veterans and gave emphasis to decisions holding that past services may be compensated on the theory that the result was to encourage patriotism.

The attorney-general contended that the compensation measure is not intended to grant additional compensation to the service men, but is an attempt by the state to pay the veterans for services for which the state thus far has made no payment.

Wisconsin Case Is Cited.

The decision of the Wisconsin supreme court upholding the bonus act passed by that state, upon the principle that the gratitude that the state owed the veterans constituted a moral obligation in recognition of which public money might be appropriated, was cited by Attorney-General Thompson.

Answering argument that the services were rendered for the benefit of the federal government and that compensation therefore must come from the federal government, the attorney-general contended that in furnishing troops to the federal government the state was in reality furnishing them to itself as an integral part of the union and the services were equally servicable to the state.

Attorney Chadwick of Seattle appeared before the court with the attorney-general in support of the legality of the measure. Frank C. Owings of Olympia represented the state auditor. At the conclusion of arguments the court took the case under advisement.

LINCOLN PLAY SUCCESS

"MRS. TEMPLE'S TELEGRAM" PRESENTED BY 1920 CLASS.

Students Apply Portray Difficult Roles While Settings From Homes Are Elaborate.

At Lincoln high school last night a big assemblage testified in rounds of applause to the general excellence of the entertainment put on by the class of January 1921. The entertainment was in the form of a clever farce-comedy, called "Mrs. Temple's Telegram," one of the famous plays of a dozen years ago. The piece has been seen on the legitimate stage, in vaudeville form, in a musical comedy version and lately has been made into a plot for a picture. It made a most effective vehicle for exploiting the histrionic talent of members of the 1921 class. The story concerns the explanation given by Jack Temple to Mrs. Jack Temple after he has stayed out all night. His excuse is absolutely legitimate, but it seems easier to prevaricate, and one white yarn leads him into another and complicates matters so thoroughly that he soon finds himself in a morass of trouble. His efforts to extricate himself afford the main thread of the theme. The role of Mr. Temple is cleverly portrayed by Isaac Stowell, who got right into the spirit of the part and gave a splendid acting account of it. Florence Fowler played the role of the unbelieving and suspicious Mrs. Temple, and thoroughly pictured the character. A charming maid, Martha Shull, was exquisite as Dorothy, an ingenu character, and her dainty jade-colored party frock enhanced her charm. Miss Madeline Coffey was also smartly gotten. Miss Madeline Coffey simulated the airs and graces of a globe-trotter, and Miss Cressman was a comedy joy in the role of the uncultured and unlettered John Brown.

Howard Colburn made an excellent John Brown. Henry Hollman preserved perfectly the atmosphere of the sedate English butler, who falls into comedy moods.

Harold Karö was splendid as Temple's friend in need, and Theodore Weiss played to advantage the role of Captain Sharpe.

The play, in three scenes, was handsomely staged, various hangings, rugs and pieces of artistic furniture being loaned from private homes. Candy sold between acts and a programme well filled with advertisements solicited and arranged by Leo A. Seltzer, added to the fund. The money goes toward publishing the class book, "The Cardinal." Ernest Markowicz, as stage manager, and Albert Thirkall, with Mr. Seltzer, completed the executive staff. The play will be repeated tonight at the auditorium in Lincoln high school.

Masons Elect Officers.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 17.—At the annual meeting last night officers of the Masonic lodge were named for the ensuing years as follows: A. F. warden; C. C. Anderson, junior warden; H. W. Sinclair, senior warden; Harold Hershelner, secretary; Truman Butler, treasurer; and A. J. Derby, trustee.



ELECTRICAL GIFTS

Gifts Electrical bring joy and comfort at Christmas time and win favor by their practical everyday uses in the household for years to come.

Have you stopped to consider that Electrical Gifts are of two kinds—practical electrical labor-saving appliances, such as cleaners, washers, sewing machines, etc., and such dainty gifts as percolators, lamps, toasters, etc.?

Useful Gift Suggestions

Electric Toasters
Electric Percolators
Electric Grills
Electric Chafing Dishes
Electric Waffle Irons
Electric Curling Irons
Electric Samovars
Electric Table Lamps
Electric Air Heaters
Electric Heating Pads
Electric Flashlights
Electric Irons

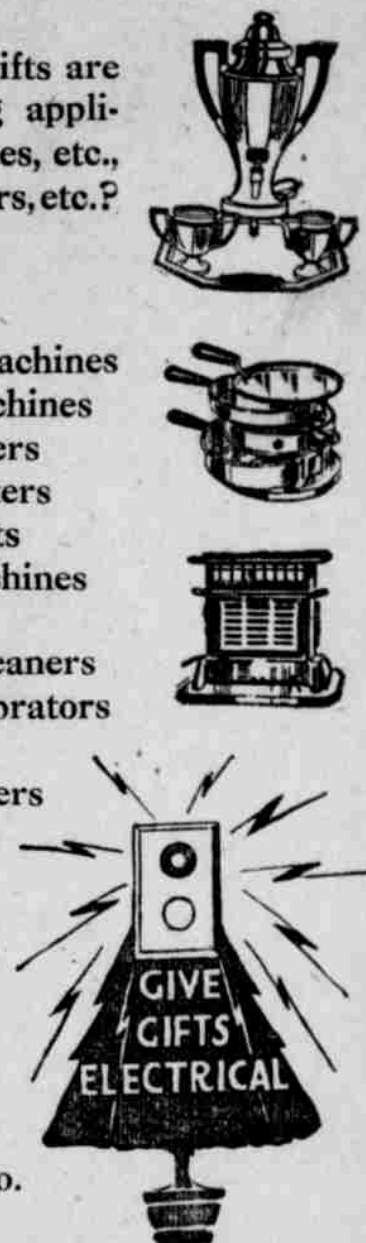
Electric Washing Machines
Electric Ironing Machines
Electric Dish Washers
Electric Water Heaters
Electric Bed Blankets
Electric Sewing Machines
Electric Hot Plates
Electric Vacuum Cleaners
Electric Massage Vibrators
Electric Ranges
Electric Foot Warmers
Electric Motors

Xmas Tree Lighting Outfits
Make Your Selections at One of Our
Electric Stores

Portland—Salem—Oregon City—Vancouver

Stores at First and Alder Streets and Electric Building.
Open Evenings Until Christmas.

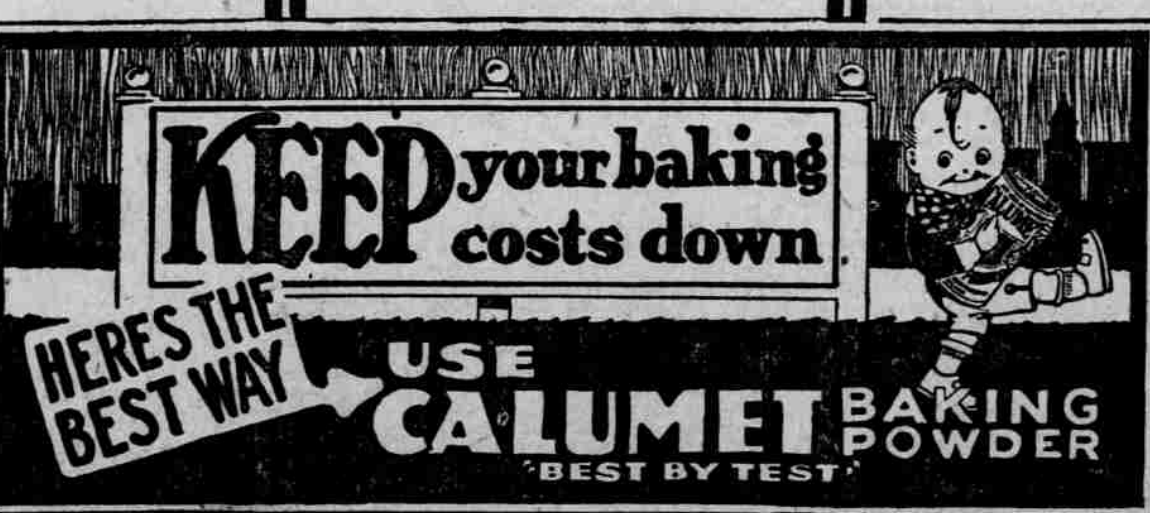
Portland Railway, Light & Power Co.



THE first thing you want in foods—and the all important thing is purity. Cost—taste—everything else is of minor consideration.

Foods should be nourishing. That's what they are for—to build up strong, sturdy bodies.

Calumet Baking Powder is pure in the can. It is made in the largest, cleanest, most modern Baking Powder Factories on earth—only of such ingredients as have been officially endorsed by United States Food Authorities.



It's pure in the baking. Calumet never fails to produce the sweetest and most palatable of nourishing foods.

It has more than the ordinary leavening strength. You use less of it. That's one reason it is the most economical of all leaveners.

Another reason is—it is sold at a moderate price—you save when you buy it.

A pound can of Calumet contains full 16 oz. Some baking powders come in 12 oz. cans instead of 16 oz. cans. Be sure you get a pound when you want it.

Calumet Waffle Recipe
2½ cups sifted pastry flour, 3 level teaspoons Calumet Baking Powder, ¼ teaspoon salt, ½ cups milk, 1 tablespoon sugar, 2 tablespoons melted butter, 2 eggs beaten separately. Then mix in the regular way.



Let Baker's Bread—delicious, nutritious, perfectly baked—be the solution of your bread problems

MASTER BAKERS' ASSOCIATION OF OREGON

Main 7070—Phone Your Want
Ads to The Oregonian—A 6095