

WASHINGTON'S NINTH GOVERNOR IN SEAT

Inaugural of Louis F. Hart Is Unostentatious.

MESSAGE IS DELIVERED

Amendment of Present State Primary Law Applauded—Appointments Are Confirmed.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Louis F. Hart was inaugurated governor of Washington at 2 P. M. this afternoon at a joint session of the legislature, lieutenant-governor Coyle and other state officers were sworn in at the same time, the oath of office being administered by Chief Justice Parker of the supreme court.

The ceremonies in connection with the inauguration of Washington's ninth governor since statehood were unostentatious and they were held in the rotunda of the main floor of the state house. The joint session was presided over by Senator Taylor, president pro tem. of the senate. Prayer was offered by Rev. C. T. Goodsell. After the oath had been administered the governor was introduced by President Taylor and delivered his message to the legislature.

Primary Reference Applauded.

Reference to the necessity for amendment to the present state primary law, coupled with the suggestion that the primary be only for the purpose of electing delegates to county and state conventions, was liberally applauded, as were the recommendations for enactment of legislation to prevent erosion of the constitutional provision prohibiting the ownership of land by aliens, for more stringent divorce laws, provision for parole from the bench of first offenders where circumstances warrant.

The governor urged that the civil administrative code, which will propose entire reconstruction of the present state civil administration through the consolidation of different agencies and the shifting of functions be passed as a whole, without amendment.

Minor Matters Taken Up.

When the senate reconvened following the joint session, Lieutenant-Governor Coyle was presented to preside over that body. Only minor routine matters were taken up and the senate adjourned until 1:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

Proposals for Licensing of Race Meetings in the State and Permitting the Operation of Pari Mutuels Betting in Contained in Senate Bill No. 11.

Under the bill, race meetings other than state, interstate and county fairs are limited to 25 days in one year, while state, interstate and county fairs are limited to six days duration. The measure creates a state board of overseers of five members one of whom shall be the state commissioner of agriculture and the other four to be appointed by the governor. Members of the board of overseers are to serve without pay. A secretary is provided at a salary of \$1200 a year to be paid by racing corporations other than state, interstate and county fairs. The law fixes a license fee of \$500 for any racing meeting other than the fairs mentioned. Pool selling, bookmaking and hand books are prohibited.

Income Tax Bill Proposed.

Senator Rockwell also introduced an income tax measure. His bill combines an income, occupation, unearned income and non-resident income tax with the creation of another commission to levy and collect the proceeds, each commissioner to be appointed by the governor and to be paid \$6000 a year in salary. Beginning with 1922 the bill proposes collection of 1 per cent income tax on every citizen's earnings, whether by hand or head. The occupation tax is scheduled to begin operation from January 1 this year. It carries a \$350 exemption for the head of the family and \$300 exemption for single men with no dependents. The unearned income tax is applied to interest from mortgages and other securities, dividend rents, royalty, mining and other patents and it has a \$200 exemption. Non-resident income tax falls upon investors outside the state who collect income from within it.

Senator Loomis Introduced a Bill Making the State Land Commissioner Also State Real Estate Commissioner Without Extra Salary, but with a Deputy Commissioner at \$4000 a Year.

This bill would put all real estate dealers under license and \$1000 bond each with a misdemeanor penalty and revocation of license for misrepresentation of property, failure to remit payments or other dishonest dealing.

Consolidation is Planned.

Consolidation of city and county governments in counties where the combined population is more than 80,000 would be provided under a constitutional amendment which a bill introduced in the house today by Triplett of King county would have submitted to the people for approval at the 1922 election.

Auto Bill Fled.

Having for its purpose the reduction of automobile thefts, a bill was introduced in the house by Mann of Spokane, requiring every purchaser of a motor vehicle to obtain at the same time a bill of sale, which shall be an instrument in writing, witnessed by at least two persons and duly recorded in the office of the county auditor upon the payment of a fee of \$1. Penalty of not less than one nor more than five years in the penitentiary or a fine not to exceed \$1000 is provided for violation of the law.

ents, if no widow or children survive him, the sum of \$5000, and in case of injury to a sheriff or deputy sheriff in the performance of duty the injured officer shall receive the same compensation as provided for injured workmen in hazardous occupations under the industrial insurance act. The industrial insurance commission is empowered by the bill to administer its provisions.

River Fund Sought.

In the house, Brown of Whatcom county asks for \$50,000 for improvement of the Nooksack river and appointment of another commission to administer the provisions of the bill. The proposed industrial code also reached the house today as previously submitted in the senate. It offers a consolidation of the various industrial welfare and labor commissioner departments. Preference to state-made commodities in purchases by the state or municipality, where the goods produced or manufactured within the state meet the specifications of the purchaser and where the price of the domestic commodity is not more than 10 per cent greater than the price of the commodity offered by outside bidders, is to be given.

Tonight Governor Hart, state officials and members of the legislature are guests of honor at the inaugural ball given in their honor at the Tam-water clubhouse by the citizens of Olympia. The ball this year is on a more elaborate scale than in former years and people from every part of the state are here to attend.

DRIVE PLANS MATURING

SUCCESS EXPECTED IN COMMUNITY CHEST CRUSADE.

Campaign Here Will Be Modeled After That Put Through in Rochester, N. Y.

Portland's community chest drive will be modeled after the campaign recently put through with great success in Rochester, N. Y., according to an announcement yesterday by the executive committee. The drive, it was announced, will take place during the second week of March in behalf of 56 charitable organizations of the city.

The committee last week selected a slogan for the campaign and took preliminary steps toward securing the names of persons who aided various charitable organizations the past year. It is expected that the number of names will total 5000 and several organizations already have furnished the committee with data. The campaign slogan is "One Campaign—One Appeal—Once a Year."

When Rochester first inaugurated the community chest drive solicitors of that city had, as a basis for first operations, about 5000 names of persons known to have contributed to charitable funds in the past. With these names as a list of first prospects charity workers of the eastern city built up a list of some 50,000 names, representing persons who could be depended upon to contribute to each year's drive. Portland, the committee believes, will build up as large a number of contributors, in view of the fact that Rochester and Portland are similar in size.

Cost of raising the needed amount of money, \$1,000,000, in Portland was discussed by the committee and it was estimated that, judging by other campaigns, the cost would be about 10 per cent of all money secured.

GAS USERS GIRD FOR WAR

FUND BEING RAISED TO FIGHT RISE AT VANCOUVER.

20 Cents for Each Thousand Feet Bought in December Sought for Counsel Fee.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Vancouver gas users will be asked to contribute 20 cents for each thousand feet of gas used during December to employ counsel to fight the rise sought by the company. The money may be paid to the city clerk, city treasurer, or the treasurer of the commercial club.

Consumers are paying \$1.50 a thousand feet now. The company wishes to raise the rate to \$1.90. The public service commission will hear both sides at 10 o'clock in the morning on January 25 in the rooms of the commercial club.

On the committee which will solicit contributions to fight the increase are G. Z. Lee, A. L. Curtis, J. J. Donovan, Harry R. Porter, P. J. Flynn, L. J. Rosseter, Foster Hidden, A. Burnham, Eugene Peeters, Mrs. A. Hatesman and James McSparran. Seventy-five persons attended the mass meeting called by Mayor Higgins last night.

A committee appointed to investigate the segregation of \$32,000 which the company said was necessary to operate has been refused access to records, showing operation costs, it was reported.

RELIEF QUOTAS EXCEEDED

Many Counties Sending in Large Sums for Europeans.

The out-state campaign for relief of child sufferers in Europe has taken a spurt since the holidays according to reports reaching Frank I. Goltzsch, state manager. Deschutes county yesterday forwarded a check for \$2514.72, 42 1-2 per cent, or \$114.72, above its quota of \$2200. Lane county came in with a check for \$1162.24, representing only a few days' work. Lane's quota is \$700. The soliciting there did not get well under way until the first of the present week.

Gratifying reports are coming in from other counties. Malheur and Harney have resumed the campaign with redoubled vigor. Malheur has pledged itself to complete its quota by January 22, and the Harney chairman declares it will have its full amount raised before January is ended. Other tardy counties are reporting better results.

LETTERS CAUSE ARREST

Paroled Convict Accused of Writing to Married Woman.

Letters said to have been written by him to a married woman demanding an appointment as soon as possible to her residence, caused the arrest last night of Arthur Gildner, aged 25, paroled convict. Gildner is said by police to have seen the woman only once on the street and that, following this, although he has never spoken a word to her, he sent two notes by a neighbor to her at her residence demanding a meeting on the pretext that he possessed information of importance which he wished to communicate to her.

The woman last night notified the police bureau and detectives arrested Gildner, charging him with disorderly conduct.

PRIMARY LAW CRITICISED

GOVERNOR OF WASHINGTON URGES MODIFICATION.

Stricter Control of Land Ownership and Suppression of Divorce Evil Asked in Message.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 12.—Governor Hart, in his biennial message read before the Washington legislature, here today, recommended that the present state direct primary law be changed so as to provide for a statewide primary, "conducted for the sole purpose of electing delegates to the county and state conventions of the several political parties."

"Time and experience have demonstrated," said Governor Hart, "that the direct primary is not the rose-tinted dream of its sponsors. Even those most zealous for its creation are now quite willing and ready for a change."

"The demoralization of responsible party organizations, the unfair advantage given to minority parties and groups, the easy temptation to undue personal abuse by unscrupulous persons, all require a modification of our method of nominating candidates for public office."

The governor urged the enactment of a law to prevent the violation or evasion, "by any subterfuge," of the constitutional prohibition against ownership of lands by aliens; passage of more stringent divorce laws; adoption of an administrative code providing for the reorganization of the state government to "make it more reasonable, effective and economical"; and the imposition of a tax on gasoline, distillate and kerosene to create a fund for the construction and surfacing of state highways.

SENATE HAS NEAR FIGHT

SENATOR JOSEPH HURLS LAW-BOOK AT EDITOR.

Drive at C. C. Chapman Result of Plea for Vote of Confidence for Senator Jones.

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Brief fireworks marked the otherwise peaceful deliberations of the senate here today when, during a tirade by Senator Thomas against the Oregon Voter, Senator Joseph of Multnomah county hurled a law book at C. C. Chapman, editor of the publication under discussion.

Senator Joseph said that Senator Chapman had uttered a vile epithet against the editor of the Oregon Voter, which he had not intended to do. The book hurled at Chapman's head, after a narrowly missing W. C. Faulkner, custodian of the senate.

The "near fight" was the aftermath of a plea by Senator Thomas that the senate extend to Senator Jones of Lane county a vote of confidence. Senator Thomas quoted several articles from the Voter, which he alleged were vicious in construction and reflected upon the character of Senator Jones.

Although all members of the senate, with the exception of Senators Norblad and LaFollett, supported the motion, it was laughed off as a joke following Senator Banks' proposal for a vote of confidence for all members.

Senator Jones responded briefly, expressing his appreciation of the action taken by the senate. He said the vote of confidence would be even more welcome to the members of his family than himself.

23 BILLS ARE RE-REFERRED

Vetoed Measures Turned Over to Committees for Consideration.

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Twenty-three senate bills passed at the special session of the legislature last January, but later vetoed by Governor Olcott, were returned for reconsideration of the lawmakers today.

Senator Eddy said that it was urgent that these bills should be referred to the various committees promptly, in order that new measures might be framed should the committee decide to report favorably on the vetoes.

Senator Vinton declared that under the Oregon laws the senate should reconsider those vetoed bills on the floor without delay, and that there was no authority under which the bills could be re-referred to committees.

Senator Moses said the procedure proposed by Senator Eddy was within the authority of the senate and that there was no valid reason why the bills should not be re-referred to the committees for recommendation as to their passage.

The vetoed bills considered by the senate and re-referred to the various committees follow:

- Senate bill 5—Relating to change in the law creating the state board of engineers' examiners; referred to committee on revision of laws.
- Senate bill 6—Relating to procedure of drainage districts; referred to committee on irrigation and drainage.
- Senate bill 7—Relating to salaries of county officers; referred to committee on county and state officers.
- Senate bill 14—Relating to grazing of livestock; referred to committee on agriculture and forestry.
- Senate bill 17—Relating to amendment of constitution; referred to insurance committee.
- Senate bill 18—Relating to ports; referred to committee on commerce and navigation.
- Senate bill 22—Relating to admission of surety companies to operate in Oregon; referred to revision of laws committee.
- Senate bill 23—Relating to salaries of officers of Union county; referred to committee on county and state officers.
- Senate bill 28—Relating to highways; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 34—Relating to court procedure; referred to committee on revision of laws.
- Senate bill 35—Relating to roads in Coos county; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 38—Relating to straight party ballot; referred to judiciary committee.
- Senate bill 39—Relating to roads in Jackson county; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 40—Relating to roads in Douglas county; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 41—Relating to roads in Benton county; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 42—Relating to roads in Klamath county; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 43—Relating to roads; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 44—Relating to roads in Marion county; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 45—Relating to roads in Wasco county; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 46—Relating to roads in Wheeler county; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 47—Relating to roads in Gilliam county; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 48—Relating to roads in Crook county; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 49—Relating to roads in Deschutes county; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 50—Relating to roads in Clatsop county; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 51—Relating to roads in Clatsop county; referred to committee on roads and highways.
- Senate bill 52—Relating to roads in Clatsop county; referred to committee on roads and highways.

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