

FREE TEXT BOOKS  
BANKS ATTACKED

Spirited Senate Debate Is Caused by Report.

TAXES HELD TOO HEAVY

Senator Staples Opposes Any New Levy—Banks Declares Change Would Equalize Expense.

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—When Senator Staples presented a motion in the senate today, asking that the minority report of the committee on education be substituted for the majority report...

Finance is Reviewed. Reviewing the financial condition of Multnomah county, Senator Staples said that in 1916 the total bonded indebtedness was less than \$100,000...

It was also argued by Senator Staples that there had not been any complaint with regard to the present system of providing textbooks for school children...

Senator Gill declared he, too, was opposed to the free text book law for the reason that the present system apparently was satisfactory to all concerned.

Senator Hume emphasized that many parents were too poor to purchase textbooks for the children at the present time, and rather than sign an affidavit giving the true status of the financial condition...

Banks Urges New System. Senator Banks said he has been interested in the free text book system for many years and conscientiously believed that the education of youth should be free...

Delay in Decision Asked. Although alleging that 19 senators had pledged themselves to vote for his bill, Senator Banks asked that final action on the motion be postponed pending the return of Senators Edwards and Hall...

Among the bills approved on third reading today was one introduced by Senator Staples at the instigation of the livestock breeders of Oregon...

Another bill by the Yamhill county delegation would give to that county authority to sell to the state any part or all of a tract of land located in the town of McMinville for army purposes.

In all criminal actions the county shall be liable for costs on appeal to the supreme court, upon reversal of the judgment of the lower court...

The senate also approved Senator Nickelson's bill providing that notaries shall not receive for the administering of an oath verification of any claim against the state.

Approval of Senator Hume's bill, providing for the appointment of a trustee during the delinquency of a domestic corporation, foreign corporation, joint stock company or association which has become delinquent and disqualified from the right to transact business...

Attachment Bill Is Up. A bill introduced by the committee on state and county officials, providing that circuit judges serving in

more than one county shall receive actual expenses while engaged in the performance of their duties outside the county of residence...

The warden of the state penitentiary, under a bill introduced by Senator Hare and passed on third reading, is authorized to employ paroled convicts at the prison wood camp...

Authority given state board of control to deposit all moneys and public charges through mutual arrangement.

Creation of market commission is urged as means of combating profiteers.

Game code passed with minor amendments.

Unanimous report of judicial committee recommending passage of bill of Portland bills.

Bill granting power to vacate streets for terminal track.

House adjourns until 11 o'clock Monday morning.

Meat Commissioner Wanted. Senator Upton Introduces Bill to Provide Market Assistant.

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Creation of the office of commissioner for the co-operative marketing of meats is provided in a bill introduced by Senator Upton.

Under the provisions of this measure the commissioner shall maintain an office at any union stockyards in the state, and his compensation shall be fixed by the governor and be paid out of a fund made up from duties and charges to be levied against shippers of livestock to the said stockyards.

To foster and encourage the grading, inspection, labeling, handling, marketing and sale of livestock and meat products.

To improve, broaden and extend in every practicable way the distribution and sale of Oregon livestock and meat.

To promote in the interests of the grower and producer, the distributor and consumer, the economical and efficient distributing and marketing of livestock.

To keep the producers and consumers of meat in the state informed of the supply and demand for, and in what markets products can be most advantageously disposed of or purchased.

And generally to do any and all things necessary to co-ordinate the livestock growers to the end that the speculator and profiteer between the grower and the consumer can be eliminated.

Paupers May Be Deported. Bill Provides for Removal of Non-Resident Public Charges.

RESOLUTIONS  
BOARD PROBE

Written Charges Necessary to Reopen Investigation.

JOINT ACTION IS TAKEN

Both Houses Object to Alleged Persecution of Witnesses by Attorneys in Case.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—The legislative investigation of the activities of the state reclamation service and the land settlement board was temporarily halted today, when a resolution was rushed through both houses providing for continuation of the investigation only upon written charges filed by those having complaint to make against the actions or policies of the boards.

Counsel for the spokesmen-review has heretofore refused to file specific charges against the board on the ground that the investigation was ordered by the legislature upon request of the reclamation board.

Board to Get Attorney. Chairman Loomis announced that the investigation would be resumed Monday, and that the attorney general would appear at future hearings as representative of the public and the reclamation board would also be represented by an attorney.

It is generally believed that the action taken today effectually disposes of the investigation as anything more than a formality.

Income Tax Bill Followed. The bill as redrafted incorporates some of the provisions of the Rockwell income tax bill, and as it will be presented in combination with the gross sales tax measure, it is claimed by proponents of the bill that it will be susceptible of reduction approximating one-third by next year.

After the passage of this act the tax levy in any county on real estate and tangible property, for all purposes, state, county, municipal and school district, shall not exceed one-third of the levy made in each county for the year 1921.

The measure provides that all merchants and vendors not exempted shall pay a tax of 1 per cent on the gross value in money of the commodities, goods, wares and merchandise introduced or exchanged by them, such tax to be based on the actual selling price or value of the things in question as disposed of.

Another provision of the bill defines the term commodities, goods, wares and merchandise, and exempts farm, garden orchard or forest products, and other products of the soil, when sold by their owners, but commodities valuable only for purposes of manufacture into changed or improved articles, or chiefly valuable for that purpose, shall not be subject to a sales tax upon sales to a manufacturer or to intermediate purchasers.

Income Tax Included. The provision of the Rockwell income tax bill fixing a 1 per cent tax on incomes, earned and unearned, and upon occupations where the remuneration is in excess of \$200 annually, is incorporated in the bill. The income tax would be imposed next year under the provisions of the measure.

19 WILL GET HEARING. PATENTS IN STATE ASYLUM COMMITTED ILLEGALLY. Judge Bingham of Salem Will Take Cases and Order Insane Sent Back to Wards.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Nineteen patients in the state hospital for the insane here who were committed by justices of the peace, will be returned to county jails by Judge Busby of Marion county, according to an announcement made by Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the hospital today.

Swedish Liner Has High-Brows on Trip Across. NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The Swedish liner Gothenberg steamed into New York today, and was greeted by the brass of millionaire clubmen, college professors and other elite of Sweden.

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LARGER POWERS WANTED

BILL WOULD GIVE WELFARE COMMISSION AUTHORITY.

INSTITUTIONS, WHETHER INCORPORATED OR NOT, WOULD HAVE FURNISH INFORMATION.

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—In case a bill introduced by Senator Farrell becomes a law, the powers of the state child welfare commission shall be extended so its members or agents will have authority to inspect and supervise all child-caring agencies, institutions and all homeless and neglected children of the state.

Provision also is made in the bill that in order to enable the commission to supervise all child-caring agencies, institutions and all homeless and neglected children of the state, the state child welfare commission shall be extended so its members or agents will have authority to inspect and supervise all child-caring agencies, institutions and all homeless and neglected children of the state.

Any disclosure of such information contrary to the provisions of the act shall subject the child welfare commission or any member or employee thereof to a fine not exceeding \$100.

RIGHTS SOUGHT FOR ENVOYS. Bill Introduced in Interest of Consuls in Oregon.

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—All consuls, vice-consuls and honorary consuls in Oregon, now and hereafter may be appointed for the state and district of Oregon, under and by virtue of any treaty now existing or hereafter entered into between the United States and any foreign country, shall be accorded all rights and privileges in all courts in the state of Oregon, provided by and in accordance with all terms and conditions of said treaty, under the provisions of a bill introduced in the senate.

LABEL PROTECTION PLANNED. Bill by Hume Places Restriction on Second-Hand Goods.

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—All goods, wares and merchandise, trade names, terms, designs, devices, shop marks, designations or forms of advertising is provided in a bill introduced in the senate today by Senator Hume.

FUEL SUPPLY OBTAINED. PORT OF PORTLAND SIGNS UP CONTRACT WITH MILLS. Arrangements for 136,000 Units Annually Are Concluded by Local Body.

The last of a series of contracts to provide the dredger of the Port of Portland with a supply of fuel was closed yesterday by James H. Polhemus, general manager of the port.

Survey Work Held Retarded. STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—A bill introduced by Senator Nickelson leaves to county surveyors the fixing of wages to be paid chainmen, markers, flagmen or rodmen.

Dairy Deputy Wanted. STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—A bill introduced by Senator Hall gives authority to the state dairy and food commissioner to appoint one deputy who shall be versed in modern, scientific and practical dairy husbandry for assignment to duty exclusively to Coos and Curry counties.

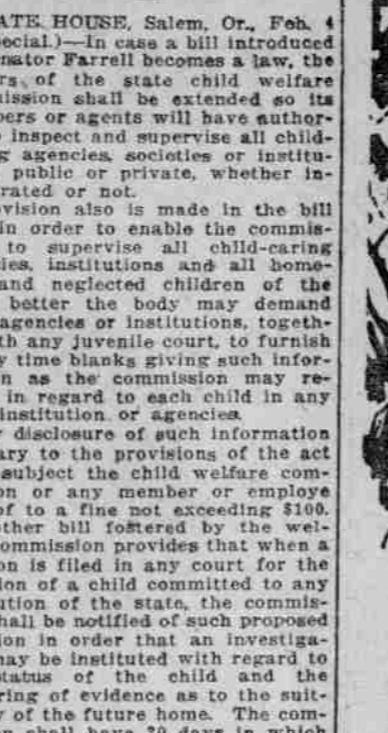
Legislators to Go to Corvallis. STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—A special train, carrying a majority of the legislature will leave here at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning for Corvallis, where entertainment will be provided by the faculty of the Oregon Agricultural college.

Bill Repeals Relief Statute. STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—A bill introduced today by Senator Farrell provides for the repeal of the present statute making it incumbent on judges of Oregon to report annually to the secretary of state changes of the names of persons applying to their respective courts for relief.

Fish Bills Special Business. STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Senate bills Nos. 221, 222 and 224, introduced by Senator Nickelson, relating to the use of purse seines, have been made a special order of business for Tuesday afternoon.

47 Indicted for Liquor Deals. CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Forty-seven indictments charging violation of the Volstead act and war-time prohibition laws were returned today before Judge K. M. Landis by a federal grand jury.

STILL PLAYING!



ZANE GREY'S Greatest Novel "P-TRAIL"

Without question the biggest success of the year. As a novel its sales ran into millions—as a photo-play it has drawn such crowds that we are holding it for a few days more.

It's the story of "Beauty"—the dance hall queen (played by Kathryn Williams)—in the pioneer days of Union Pacific construction gangs building the road to Oregon.

CECIL TEAGUE AT THE WURLITZER and in concert tomorrow at 1:30 P. M. PROGRAMME

Spanish Waltz... Waldenfel Chu Chin Chow... Norton O That We Two Were Maying... Nevin Mighty Lak a Rose... Nevin The Roseary... Nevin "Margie"... Conrad

MAJESTIC

Direction of Jensen and Von Herberg

Women Back Welfare Work. BREND, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—To endorse an ordinance for the creation of a girls' welfare department as an adjunct of the city government, women of Bend held a special meeting here this afternoon.

TURKEY IS THE ONLY COUNTRY IN EUROPE WHERE—PRACTICE ARE NO BEEN CLOSED WITH THE CROSSETT-WEST.

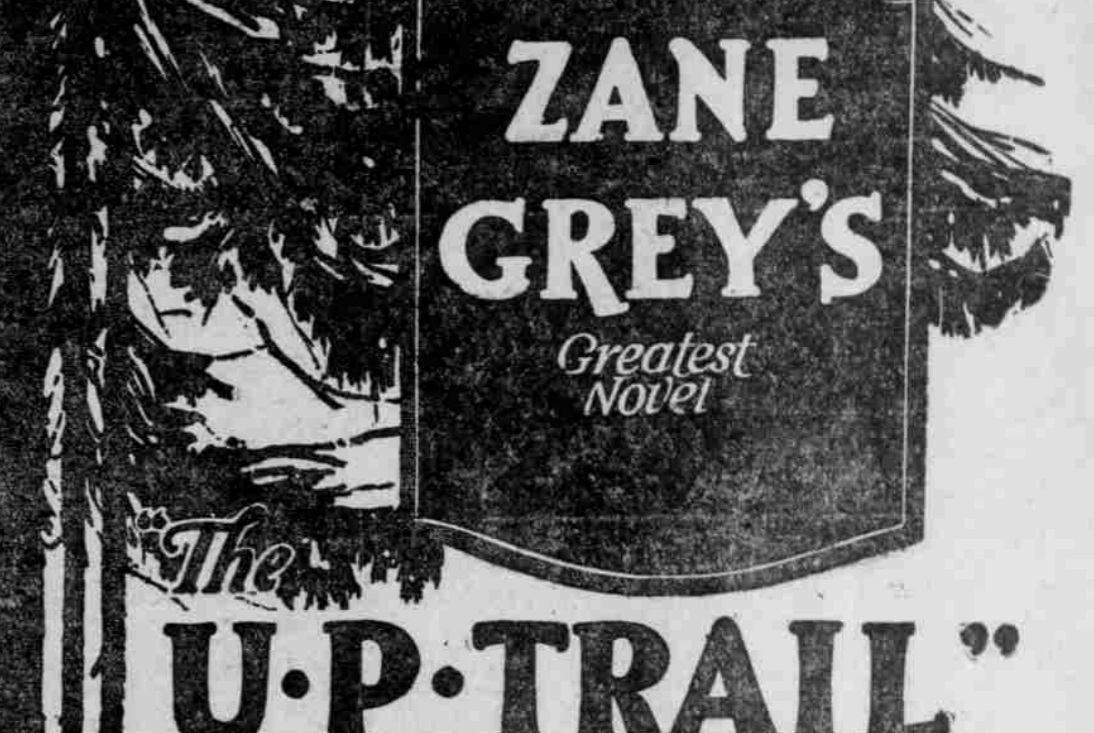
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