FERRIS BILL HELD BAD IN PRINCIPLE

Opponents in Senate Committee Point Out Usurpation of Federal Control.

STATE'S RIGHTS ASSERTED

Terms of Power Leases Declared So Burdensome That No Prudent Business Man Would Be Willing to Invest.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash-Feb. 12.—The Ferris water phwer bill and the Senate substitute for that bill are essentially wrong in principle, according to a minority repert filed by Senators Smoot of Utah. Themas of Colorado, Smith of Arizona, Clark of Wyoming and Works of California. This minority report, which indicates the line on which the water-power hill is to be assalled in the Scinate in Senato fundamentally on prin-Souate, is based fundamentally on prin-ciples laid down in various decisions of

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In summarizing the objections to the bill, the report says:
"The bill is an ingenious effort to fasten upon the private awnership of the land, by the Government, the saversign right to control the use of the waters, a right that the Government does not possess under the Constitution and cannot be given it by statute, and which admittedly does belong to the states.

Rent Based on Water Value

"The rental to be paid by the leases is not haved upon the value of the use of the land, but upon the amount of power that can be produced by the water, which belongs to the state, and, as the water, in which the Government has the water, in which the Government has no ownership or interest, is thus leased, the attempt is made to control the use of the thing leased, namely, the water. The trouble is that because the Government fixes the amount to be paid for the land by the amount of power that can be produced by the water, over which it can have no right or control, it is attempting to vest in their the unwarranted power to detertheir the unwarranted power to deter-nine how the water shall be used and hant for. The granting of any such herother is a betrayal of the sovereign yights of the state.

Federal Power Exceeded.

The purpose of this proposed legisla-tion, as stated by the majority of the committee, is to bring about a speedler committee, is to bring about a speedier desciopment of our undeveloped water power. It may be said that this is a purpose not within the power or jurisdiction of the Federal Government. The whole purpose of the bill, as thus stated, is beyond the power of the Government. It has me undeveloped water power. It is only a landowner in the states and nothing else. The development, as well as the regulation and control of undeveloped water and water power, is a purely state matter. The terms upon which the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to lease laid for power purposes are so untreasonable and burdensume and so clearly in conflict with state rights

present business man from investing any money in a power site in any state. He would be anable to determine with having been made, as compensation for the sale of \$600,000 work having been made, as compensation for his work. The estimate of the cost of construction given by the ebsyste one. In many instances, he would violate the other.

**Compliance with the state law would in some cases forfeit his lease. On the other hand, if he followed the provisions of the lease, particularly as fat he lime of commenced in the spring and that the mork will be commenced in the spring and that the mork

provisions of the lease, particularly as the time of commencing and completion of his plant, he would, in Callfornia at least, forfeit his right to the water, the really valuable thing, and a license to use the water would have to be denied him for failure to comply with the state laws. This would be true in other states as well.

"The present law relating to the use of public lands for power and irrigation surrouses is entirely inadequate.

tion surposes in entirely inadequate because of its uncertainty. But this proposed legislation would be infinitely worse, because it is so certainly and faintly wrong. It would, if enacted, soon put an end to any development of water power."

HOUSE COMMITTEE ALLOWS ONLY \$1,200,000 FOR YEAR.

Action Based on Review by Army Engineers of Amount to Be Expended During the Coming Year.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash-

erder to justify a cut the engineers were asked to review this project and estimate the minimum amount that estimate the minimum amount that of the Columbia during the coming year.

COASTGUARD BILL SPURNED

Termed Impractical.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash-OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 12.—(Special.)—The Secretary of the Treasury has forwarded to Congress, with his concurrence, an adverse report by the commandant of the Consignard service on Representative Hawley's bill, authorizing the establishment of a Constguard station on the coast of Corry County, at or near the coast of Corry County at the coast of County at t Part Orford.

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The principlement of a life-saving station is near Port Orders, Or, was authorized or the art of Congress of March & 1891, been then the matter has occupied the Attention of the department many three. Direct commissions have been appointed by the Department of the Tophenry for the purpose, have made a through statemental of a shrinkly of Port Orders and it has been rang that awing to the rugged and procip-

Movement Is Started to Secure Next State Poultry Exhibition.

MEDFORD, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)-Jackson County's first poultry show, just concluded, has been such a suc-cess that a movement has already been started to hold the next state show in this city. More than \$60 birds were on exhibition, and, according to E. J. Mc-Clanahan, the well-known poultry expert of Eugene, this was the best poultry exhibition ever held in the state outside of Portland. Mr. McClanahan exhibited his prize Plymouth Rocks, but they were not entered in competition.

AVIATORS ASKED TO CARRY ALASKA MAIL

Postoffice Department Calls for Bids for Service De-MEDFORD SHOW IS SUCCESS signed for Speed.

PRESENT METHODS SLOW

One of the features of the show was a Brown Leghern hen hatched in 1902, known as Spring Chicken, that is still one of the best layers in the flock. This hen is owned by Miss Daisy Martin, of Medford. Ernest Webb, of Table-Hock, took the honors in the Rhode Island Bed class. His prize reoster, Leader, ice. Bids will be opened May 12, and

Fairbanks to Tanana, 162 miles, three times a week; 1000 (or 2000) pounds; 24 hours; present service, \$22,152.54 a

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t years old, awarded first prize in Port-land two years ago, won first prize in the service is to become operative. The his class. cost of present service are shown.

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times a week, 1666 for 2669) pounds
of mail each trip; running time, two
days; cost of present service, \$127,556

IRRIGATION CONTRACT LET

Vancouver, B. C., Company to Construct Suttle Lake, Or., Project.

Tanana to Kaltag, 281 miles, twice a week; 800 (or 1600) pounds; two days; present service, 237,722.49 a year.

Kaltag to Nome, 225 miles, twice a week; 600 (or 1200) pounds; two days; present service, \$15,950 a year.

Seward to Iditarod, 280 miles, twice a The Henry J. Kaiser Contracting Company, of Vancouver, B. C., has been awarded the contract for the construcclearly in conflict with state rights and state laws as to prevent any district in Central Oregon. The con-

STORM MAY HAVE VICTIM

Twenty-Year-Old Simon Medaris

Missing Near Florence.

FLORENCE. Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)

That the recent severe storms may have claimed a victim in the person of 21-year-old Simon Medaris is the fear of residents of upper Indian Creek, who have searching for some trace of the young man.

Medaris left the homestead near Sad-dia Mountain three weeks are to re-

Medaris left the homestead near Saddle Mountain three weeks ago to go through the hills to Mapleton. The snow was deep in the mountains, making the trail difficult to follow, and young Medaris was unused to following a mountain trail. Searchers found builds up the whole system. It embedies which are believed to be his, and some clothing which evidently had been thrown away to lighten his load, but lost the trail soon.

OREGON DELEGATION IS 10 quired. Better be sure you are quite free from it. Get Hood's Sarsaparilla and begin taking it today.

Representation at Democratic Con-

vention Formally Announced.

legion, Feb. 11.—The appropriation for continuing work at the mouth of the Columbia River has been out by the House river and harbor committee from \$2,194,000 to \$1,200,002. This reduction, the committee asserts, is based on revised estimates of the Army engineers. When the committee reached the Columbia River item, there was a general disposition to alash the jetty appropriation, which was one of the largest single estimates submitted, and in order to justify a cut the engineers were asked to review this project and estimate the minimum amount that could score the convention will be held, Mr. McCombs explains the basis upon which

Under pressure from the committee the engineers are reported to have submitted a second estimate showing that \$1,202,000 would be all they could expend during the year beginning July 1, and on this statement the committee cut the appropriation.

Other Northwestern items are underformed in the control of the propriation of the property of the proper

ASSETS \$9,500,000.00

Curry County Coast Station Plan Is Mrs. W. C. Wilson, President Bunkers' Life Insurance Co., Lincoln, Nebraska.

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leward and Anchorage to Fairbanks the Alaskan Engineering Commission.
Alaskan mining men generally have expressed keen interest in improving the facilities of communication between the coast and the various mining sec-

tions of the interior.

It is believed that the large sums now being spent under contract to provide the present Alaskan service are adequate, in connection with prespective the present Alaskan service are adequate, in connection with prospective private business, to induce private capital to organize companies which will enter the field of aerial transportation in Alaska on a business basis. Correpondence received by the Postmaster-General shows that the latter step is aiready being seriously considered by responsible private parties.

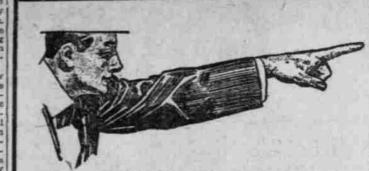
Speed Will Mean Saving. The present Summer mall service to Fairbanks is provided by river steamers. Mail originating in the United States leaves Scattle for Skagway, Alaska, thence goes by railroad 110 miles to White Horse, Tukon Territory, and thence by river steamer to Fairbanks. The time required is usually about three weeks.

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Mail for Chitins, Valdes, Cordova, Seward and Anchorage to Fairbanks must go either to Juneau or Skagway and often to Seattle before it is started to Fairbanks. The time is usually from four to six weeks. Seward and Anchorage are the water termini of the Government's operations in building the Alaskan railroad, while the ing the Alaskan railroad, while the executive offices of the northern division are located at Fairbanks. All accounts, reports and matters needing administrative action must go to Seward and are often six weeks en route. A quicker service, it is stated, will save the Alaskan Engineering Commission many thousands of dollars.

Under the advertisement the principai Alaskan aeroplane route will in-volve starting from Valdez Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week and from Fairbanks Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday each week. Two days are allowed for the completion of each

The swiftest dog in the world, the bor sol, or Russian wolfhound, has made recorrung that show 75 feet in a second, whithe gazelle has shown measured speed o more than 80 feet a second, which would give it a speed of \$500 feet in a minute i the pace could be kept up.



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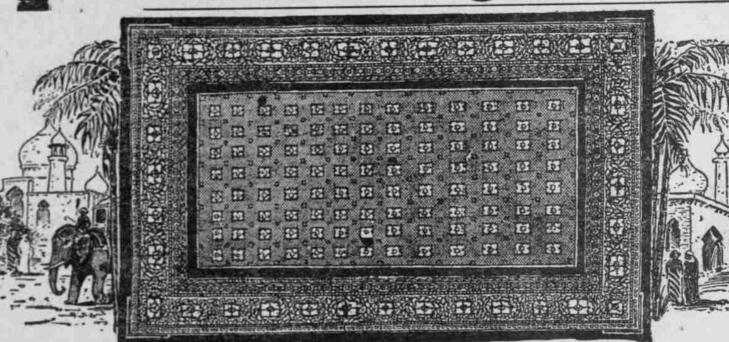
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