

LEGISLATURE HOLDS OVER UNTIL MONDAY

Road Bond Bill to Come Up in Senate.

FOES AGREE TO NEW PLAN

Compromise Is Reached After Heated Struggle.

MUCH BUSINESS UNDONE

Both Branches Adjourn at 10:30 to Meet Again Monday Morning and Clear Up Business of Importance Still Unfinished.

STATUS OF GOOD ROADS LEGISLATION.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—House passed \$6,000,000 road bond bill, after two-hour debate, by vote of 32 to 24, with only two members absent.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The Senate adjourned at 10:30 o'clock tonight to 10:30 Monday morning.

The House adjourned at 10:35 o'clock to the same hour.

Monday will be the 43d day of the present session, but only the 33d actual working day. Members of the Legislature are not paid after the 40th day of the session.

When the Senate adjourned tonight there were still about 100 bills remaining on its calendar. Nineteen bills were passed last night.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—After blocking action on the \$6,000,000 road bond bill in the Senate for several hours by voting down every motion to suspend the rules and bring it up for passage, Senators opposing the bill tonight agreed to let it come before the Senate on its merits.

At the same time an agreement was reached with Senate leaders to adjourn tonight until Monday.

At that time the road bill will come before the Senators to be fought out on the floor.

While no formal agreement was made to that effect, there was a sort of informal understanding that the whole road bond issue will be referred to the people.

To this end, opponents of the measure in its present form will try to change it in form from a bill to a joint resolution providing that the question shall go on the ballot at a special election, or at the next general election.

Which it will be no part of such gentleman's agreement as was reached and must be decided on the floor.

Nor was it part of the agreement that the opposing force will help to pass the joint resolution or bill, as the case may be, in the Senate.

The concession made by the opponents of the issue was in letting the measure come up at all without compelling those favoring it to fight it out on the highly technical issue of suspending

3 HOUSE FAVORITES RECEIVE PRESENTS

Only Woman Member's Tolerance of Smoking Is Appreciated and Token Presented.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—This was "mutual admiration night" in the House and three prominent figures of the session now closing shared in the distribution of honors—and gifts.

Speaker Stanfield was presented by the members a heavy gold watch-chain and Masonic charm. Miss Marie Briggs, the diminutive, attractive and efficient page who has served the members diligently, faithfully and cheerfully, received a fine gold pin.

Mrs. Alexander Thompson, the only woman, received an assortment of presents—a marble statuette of Mercury—from the smokers against whom she would not permit the rule against smoking to be invoked, and a myrtle wood gavel and block, symbolical of the fact that she is the first woman ever to preside over a Legislative Assembly in Oregon.

Representative Bean, in a happy speech, presented to the Speaker his gift on behalf of the other members. Miss Briggs, who is the pet of every one in the House, was sent to the rostrum with the Speaker's gift. When she got there she was detained for a moment until Mrs. Thompson, who had been delegated to make the presentation speech, arrived with her gift pin.

The young woman smiled and blushing bowed her appreciation of the gift. Next it became Mrs. Thompson's turn to be forced into blushing. The Speaker detained her on the rostrum while he presented her gifts.

NETS PLACED AT NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—A steel net designed to protect the Port of New York from hostile submarines and other war craft in the event of war was put in place at the entrance of the harbor today.

For the present it will be kept in position only between sunset and sunrise and will bar all ships from leaving or entering the harbor during the night. In case of war its construction provides for placing it as a permanent barrier.

GERARDS WILL SAIL SOON

PARIS, Feb. 17.—James W. Gerard, the ex-American Ambassador to Germany, spent much of his time today at the American Embassy. Mr. and Mrs. Gerard will dine informally tonight with Ambassador and Mrs. Sharp.

Mr. Gerard, according to his present plans, will depart for Madrid Sunday night to take a steamer at Corunna for the United States.

PORT CLOSED TO NEUTRALS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Hereafter only British and entente allied ships will be permitted to enter the port of Plymouth, England, according to notice served on the American Consul-General at London today, by the British Admiralty.

It is supposed here that the action was taken because Plymouth is essentially a naval base.

400,000 TARS REQUIRED

LONDON, Feb. 17.—A force of 400,000 men is required for the British navy. The naval estimates for the coming financial year provide for that number.

GOOD ROADS BONDS PASS HOUSE, 37-22

Wavering Supporters Rally to Standard.

EMERGENCY CLAUSE OMITTED

Measure Provides for Issue of \$6,000,000.

TRIFLING CHANGES MADE

Gallery Is Crowded With Advocates of Bill and Great Wave of Applause Greets Speaker's Announcement of Success.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Permanent good roads in Oregon were brought one step nearer realization this morning when by a vote of 37 to 22 the House passed the \$6,000,000 bonding bill, which provides a systematic plan of development for the next five years.

The bill was a special order of business in the house at 10:30 after having been put over from last night.

When the House convened prospects were not bright for the bill. Several of the 38 members who had signed the measure when it was introduced were wavering. Friends of good roads in the House and in the lobby were fearful of the result.

But after nearly two hours of argument and parliamentary maneuvering the bill went through substantially in the same form as originally introduced. It was handled on the floor by Representatives Schimpff, Bear, Forbes, Gore and others.

The money accruing from the sale of the bonds would be expended by the State Highway Commission over a system of roads described in the bill. The Highway Commission is authorized by the road code bill already passed by both houses. It is appointed by the Governor, one member from each of the three Congressional districts.

Referendum Is Possible. The bill carries no emergency clause and it is possible that it will be referred to another bill providing for a special election in June to consider referred measures will prevent needless delay of the issue.

The gallery was packed with good roads enthusiasts this morning. They applauded and cheered when the Speaker announced the result.

Following was the rollcall vote in the house:

Ayes—Barber, Bean, Bellard, Brand, Burdick, Burton, Callan, Clark, Corbett, Forbes, Fuller, Goode, Gordon, Gore, Griggs, Hodgen, Kubli, Laurgaard, Lewis, Lunger, Mackay, Mathieu, Mueller, Peck, Rittner, Rowe, Schimpff, Small, Stafrin, Stott, Willett and Speaker Stanfield—37.

Noes—Representatives Anderson, Ashley, Bowman, Brown, Cartmill, Childs, Cornelius, Crandall, Dedman, Eaton, Elgin, Elmore, Seymour Jones, Al Jones, Walker, E. Jones, Lafferty, Mann, Martin, Meek, Porter, Fortwood, Sheldon, Stephens, Sweeney, Thomas, Mrs. Thompson and Tichenor—27.

Absent—Representative Brownell—1.

Committee of Whole Sits. Schimpff opened the discussion this morning with a brief formal argument for the bill. He pleaded to "help Oregon out of the mud." He pointed out that the state of Washington has just arranged to bond itself for \$6,000,000 to build roads.

Without further ceremony the House went into committee of the whole, Representative Kubli presiding, for the

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Argentina Gets 45,000,000 Pesos. BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 17.—The Argentine government has obtained a loan from banks here of 45,000,000 pesos.

TAX LIST BILL IS BEFORE GOVERNOR

Both Houses Approve Forbes Amendments.

ACT EFFECTIVE NEXT YEAR

Notice of Delinquency to Be by Postcard First.

JOURNAL DELAYS ACTION

Up-State Counties Are Required to Use One or More Papers, While Multnomah Must Print Tax List in Two Only.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Both House and Senate agreed to the Forbes amendment to the delinquent tax bill, which went through the House with a heavy vote yesterday.

The bill came back enrolled and was signed by President Moser and Speaker Stanfield tonight.

It now goes to Governor Withycombe, who doubtless will sign it. The bill, as amended by Forbes, will become a law in time to regulate the publication of delinquent taxes next year. It is too late to become effective this year.

Act Believed Best on Books. Attorneys in the House agree that the act is the most scientific and the most economical in effect in any state in the Union. Forbes gave the subject careful attention for several weeks while he had the bill in the judiciary committee, of which he is chairman. He detailed the laws of several other states and incorporated the best features of each one in the bill.

In brief, the measure provides that 90 days after the taxes become delinquent notices shall be mailed to the delinquent property owners by letter or postcard.

30 Days Given for Payment. Then 30 days will be allowed for them to respond. Those who make their payments in that time will be stricken from the delinquent rolls. Property that remains delinquent at the expiration of this 30-day period will be advertised in newspapers selected by the County Commissioners.

Publication in Multnomah County is to be limited to two newspapers of more than 10,000 copies an issue.

The bill as first amended by Forbes provided for publication in two or more papers in counties outside of Multnomah. The Senate refused to concur in these provisions, and conference committees were named by each house.

Bill Amended in Committee. The House committee was composed of Forbes, Rittner and Callan; the Senate committee of Orton, Farrell and Olson.

At their conference they agreed to change the bill so that publication in the upstate counties can be limited to one or more papers.

Both houses accepted the amendments and the bill was formally passed.

Action until the very close of the session was delayed on account of the bitter antagonism injected into the situation by the Portland Journal, which conducted a newspaper campaign for the abolition of the law requiring publication of the tax lists.

Few members of either house wanted to repeal the law entirely, but all wanted to enact some real constructive legislation along this line. On account of the Journal's tactics action on the bill was delayed in both houses until after February 7, when

APPROPRIATION FOR NAVY IS INCREASED

SENATE PROVIDES \$531,000,000 IN COMMITTEE.

Items for Speeding Up Building Programme, Arming Auxiliaries and Reserve Are Included.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Carrying about \$531,000,000, an increase of \$183,000,000 over the total as it passed the House, the annual naval appropriation bill was completed by a sub-committee of the Senate naval committee today and will be taken up by the full membership probably on Monday. The principal increase was an appropriation of \$150,000,000 for speeding up work on naval vessels already authorized, which had been rejected in the House on a point of order.

Other important increases include \$600,000 for batteries for merchant auxiliaries and \$450,000 for ammunition for such auxiliaries; \$3,000,000 for reserve material for the Navy and \$1,560,000 for engineering purposes, including radio installation on light vessels. The building authorizations and emergency administration provisions of the House bill are retained.

VILLA FLEEING IS REPORT

Bandit Leader's Agent Says Outlaw Has Embarked for Japan.

EL PASO, Feb. 17.—Francisco Villa, whose movements have been a mystery to his enemies, as well as to the mass of his followers, has made his way to the West Coast and embarked for Japan, according to W. L. Crawford, a well-known cattleman of Dallas, Tex., and a former Texas ranger.

Crawford says his source of information is one of Villa's most trusted agents and a man personally known to him to be reliable.

Villa is said to have traveled to the coast in disguise and got safely aboard a ship in Mazatlan and now is three weeks at sea.

Other versions of a story that Villa informed his leaders of his intention to absent himself for three months and to return with news "that would make his followers throw their hats into the air with joy" have been reaching the border for several days.

8-HOUR BILLS INTRODUCED

Curb on Goods Made by Women Working Long Days Provided.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, and Representative Keating, of Colorado, today introduced identical bills to prohibit interstate shipment of goods made in whole or in part by women employed more than eight hours a day or more than six days a week.

The bills, drawn on the lines of the Federal child labor law, would nationalize conditions for working women.

DUTCH TO CUT RATIONS

Little More Than Two Pounds of Potatoes Weekly Allowance.

AMSTERDAM, via London, Feb. 17.—Additional food rationing will begin in Holland Monday, the Handelsblad announces today.

Every ticket holder in Amsterdam for the week of February 18-24 is entitled to 1000 grams (a little more than two pounds) of potatoes, 800 grams of rice, 50 of fat and 100 of soap.

5 GIRLS KIDNAPED IN DAY

Salt Lake Police Suspect Organized Band Is Working.

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 17.—Five girls have been reported missing here within the last 24 hours, and the police department declared their belief today that an organized band of kidnapers is responsible.

The missing girls range from six to 15 years of age.

PASTOR SEEKING TO AID WOMAN KILLED

Preacher Hears Shots and Goes to Death.

SLAYER IS HIMSELF KILLED

Man Freed From Asylum Fatally Wounds Mother-in-Law.

SISTER-IN-LAW SHOT, TOO

Husband of Woman Felled by Bullet Rushes In, Takes One of Two Weapons From Madman and Kills Him.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 17.—Secreting himself in the home of his brother-in-law, where his wife had been living since their separation, Claude Anderson, recently released from the State Hospital for the Insane, tonight shot and killed the Rev. Gaston E. Buford, fatally wounded Mrs. M. Zahn, his wife's mother, slightly wounded Mrs. W. J. Zahn, and was himself killed by W. J. Zahn.

Mr. Buford, pastor of the Moore Memorial Presbyterian Church, had rushed into the house when he heard the shots and screams of the wounded women. Mrs. Anderson told the police Anderson hid in a room and when Mrs. Zahn entered, opened fire. She fell fatally wounded and died soon after at a hospital. Her daughter-in-law ran to the room and was shot. Mr. Buford, passing with his family, ran into the house and Anderson killed him instantly.

W. J. Zahn, who conducts a business near the residence, heard the shots and hurried home. He wrestled from Anderson one of two pistols he was using and shot the mad down. Zahn was arrested and is being held for an examination.

FRENCH TAKE OFFENSIVE

Appreciable Loss Inflicted on Germans, Says Paris.

PARIS, Feb. 17.—Artillery duels in the sector of Maison de Champagne are reported in this afternoon's official communication.

The French made an attack at Amersweiler. An appreciable loss was inflicted on the Germans, the statement says.

MEDICAL GENERAL IS DEAD

Sir Benjamin Franklin Expires Suddenly in London.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—General Sir Benjamin Franklin died suddenly today.

Sir Benjamin Franklin, who was born in 1844, was honorary physician to the King and late director-general of the Indian medical service. He had been honorary physician to Queen Victoria and King Edward.

Bishop Edsall Is Dead.

ROCHESTER, Minn., Feb. 17.—The Right Rev. Samuel C. Edsall, of Minneapolis, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Minnesota, died this afternoon. He underwent an operation for an abdominal ailment.

PICTORIAL SIDELIGHTS BY CARTOONIST REYNOLDS ON SOME EVENTS IN THE WEEK'S NEWS.

