

CUT IN AUTO FEES WILL BE PROPOSED

Flood of Bills Expected in Next Legislature.

HIGHWAY PROGRAMME UP

New Regime Declared Menacing Plans for Building of More Roads.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 11.—(Special.)—Revision downward of the motor vehicle license, consolidation of the office of state sealer of weights and measures with the state dairy and food department, slowing down of the state highway programme and lightening up of the banking and corporation laws of the state are only a few of the changes suggested in the present laws for consideration of the legislature at its next session in January.

The legislature will convene in Salem January 8, and already a number of letters have been received at the capital suggesting new laws and amendments to the present code. In nearly every instance the authors of the proposed new legislation have given out the information that their offerings will tend toward increased efficiency and economy. Consolidation of numerous commissions also may be attempted, it was reported, despite the fact that all efforts to this end have proved unsuccessful.

License Cut Proposed.

It was said here today that a bill is now being prepared in Portland which will provide for a decrease in the motor vehicle license. The author of this proposed measure, in a letter received in Salem recently, said it was apparent that the highway building programme is at an end, and that from now on it will not be necessary to raise more money than is needed for maintenance. To maintain the highways now constructed less than 50 per cent of the license fees now collected will be necessary, he said.

Another bill is being prepared, it was reported here today, to consolidate the office of state sealer of weights and measures with the state dairy and food department. A similar measure was introduced at the last session of the legislature, but was defeated. At that time sponsors of the consolidation bill argued that the merger would save approximately \$7000 a year, but this appeal for economy apparently did not sway a great number of the legislators. The bill received only a few votes when submitted for final passage.

Road Programme Menaced.

In case Walter M. Pierce, governor-elect, acts in compliance with the promises made to the voters during the recent campaign, it is likely that his message to the legislature will recommend the slowing down of the complete elimination of the state road-building programme. To meet such a demand by the governor it would be necessary for the legislature to enact a number of new laws and amend other acts already in existence.

Blue Sky Law Up.

Tightening up of the Oregon blue sky law will be recommended by T. B. Handley, state corporation commissioner. Mr. Handley has been working on a number of amendments to this law for several months and has announced that they will be ready for consideration by the legislature in January. Even though Mr. Handley has said he expects to resign January 1, he has informed Governor Olcott and other persons interested in the blue sky law that he will go before the legislature and ask adoption of the proposed amendments.

Accident Body Considered.

Elimination of one member of the state industrial accident commission, consolidation of the activities of the state labor bureau, and the erection of a state institution to replace the numerous baby homes now receiving state aid, may also be considered by the legislature. It was said by a member of the legislature, who has been investigating the state aided baby homes, that the commonwealth could well afford to conduct its own institution, which would result in saving many thousands of dollars annually.

New School Doubtful.

Legislators who have visited the capitol during the past few days have intimated that Governor Olcott's plan to replace the present state training school for boys with a modern institution built on the cottage plan, probably will fail under the new regime. To provide for the erection of the proposed new plant Governor Olcott induced the last legislature to divert from an old school the amount of \$250,000 which he estimated as the cost of the improvement. Some of the legislators have expressed themselves as opposed to the expenditure at this time, despite the fact that it would not add one cent of property tax.

In the language of one prominent member of the senate who was in Salem today, no one knows what will happen during the legislature, although already there are indications of an avalanche of bills.

PRESIDENT HONORS UNKNOWN SOLDIER

Wreath Laid on Tomb in Arlington Cemetery.

CEREMONY IS SIMPLE

Mr. Harding Almost Alone When Flowers Are Offered as Tribute to Dead.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—President Harding laid a wreath of remembrance today on the tomb of the unknown soldier at Arlington National cemetery. It was set there as a wordless greeting from the hearts of America to a valorous, honored son, and commemorated the first anniversary of his homecoming from France.

MARKER DEDICATION SET

Ceremony to Be Held November 18 at Cowitts Landing.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Nov. 11.—(Special.)—November 18 has been set by the board of curators of the Washington state historical association for the dedication of the stone that recently has been placed by that organization near Toledo to mark the historic Cowitts landing. On August 23, 1851, a convention of the association was held at Cowitts landing, where a petition asking for the division of the old Oregon territory on which congress finally took action, and created the territory of Washington was acted on. Toledo people will co-operate with Secretary Bonney of Tacoma in making the celebration a success.

FIREMEN WILL GET PAY

Sheridan Reorganizes Department After Disastrous Fire.

SHERIDAN, Or., Nov. 11.—(Special.)—A fire-fighting organization composed of two hose companies, a hook and ladder company and a chemical company was organized here last night. The brigade, which is to be put on a city payroll, marks the advent of a paid fire department for Sheridan and replaces the volunteer system of the past. Sheridan's experience with disastrous fires has taught the necessity for more adequate protection.

Epidemic Is Under Control.

WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE, Pullman, Nov. 11.—(Special.)—The typhoid fever epidemic is now absolutely under control on the State college of Washington campus, according to the reports of the health committee headed by Dr. J. W. Kalkus. In the past two weeks there has been but one new case reported.

EARLY SETTLER IS DEAD

CIVIL WAR VETERAN SUCUMBS NEAR VERNONIA.

Israel Putnam Spencer, 78, Resident of Nehalem Valley for 46 Years.

Israel Putnam Spencer, 78, died at his homestead near Vernonia November 8. He was a civil war veteran and had been a resident of the Nehalem valley 46 years.

Death was due to natural causes. The funeral was held Friday at Vernonia and was conducted in part by John Bucher, pastor No. 70, G. A. R., which now goes out of existence with but three veterans left on its membership roll.

A civil war record equaled by but few surviving veterans was Mr. Spencer's. He enlisted August 6, 1862, and in the period that followed until June 13, 1865, saw service with Company 136th New York Volunteers, an infantry company in both the armies of the Potomac and the Cumberland.

He is survived by his widow, Sarah Gilliam Spencer, and the following children: Mrs. Emily Rickard of Chicago, Mrs. O. B. Malm-

OREGON VOTE IS DECISIVE

ONLY ONE RACE CLOSE IN RECENT ELECTION.

R. E. Bradbury Leads H. J. Over-

turf by 42 Ballots in 21st District.

Oregon's election was marked by decisive majorities in all cases except for one of the three members of the lower house of the state legislature from the 21st representative district, which includes five counties.

On complete official returns from Jefferson and Lake counties and complete unofficial returns from Klamath, Crook and Deschutes counties, R. E. Bradbury, democrat, of Klamath county, was leading H. J. Over-

turf, republican of Deschutes county, by 42 votes. The figures were: Bradbury, 3535; Over-

turf, 3493.

D. G. Burdick, republican of Deschutes county, J. M. Ezell, republican democrat of Klamath county, were elected by safe majorities. Burdick receiving 4444 votes and Ezell 4780.

The vote stood: Over-Brad-dick, Ezell, turf, burr, Gard, Crook, 507 446 304 407 301 Deschutes 1171 1250 1380 1288 Jefferson 341 273 309 230 302 Klamath 209 208 1067 1431 786 Lake 802 805 625 462 297

Totals 4444 4780 3614 3656 3239

Official. *Unofficial.

Red Cross Drive Started.

ST. HELENS, Or., Nov. 11.—(Special.)—The annual Red Cross membership drive started today and will continue the coming week. J. W. Thompson is commander of the force and is assisted by Mrs. L. C. Ross, Mrs. Albert Burcham and Mrs. T. S. White as captains. Mrs. Golden Starr Scott, executive secretary, has been elected other appointments throughout the county and it is expected that the membership quota will be obtained next week.

Escort Turns Aside. Cavalry had escorted the presidential party from the White House but had turned aside before the tomb was reached. There was no word spoken on the terraced sweep where the tomb lies except the commands that moved the rifles of the guard of honor to salute.

The president seemed to feel a deep significance in the moment, as though he sensed the solemn approval of the hundreds of millions of his countrymen in what he did in their name. He placed the great wreath against the stonework of the tomb, then stepped back to pause a moment looking down on the plain black of masonry that covers a plain soldier chosen to typify the greatest among the nation's heroes.

The hush on the terrace was almost breathless and every eye was fixed on the still figure of the president standing with bowed head as though in reverent awe. Slowly, almost as though unconsciously, the president raised his hand in military salute to the dead, his shoulders straightening.

Then he turned away and a moment later was speeding back to busy affairs in Washington, behind the trotting cavalry.

There are thousands of other war dead from France sleeping among the quiet hills of Arlington. Their gleaming headstones flank the great amphitheater on one side as those other glorious dead of older wars flank it on the other. Their monuments and markers on the other. And while the nation paid its simple tribute to all those who sleep beneath the newer stones today, in the honor accorded at the tomb of the unknown, sorrowing relatives did not forget that Armistice day is above all the day of the men of the American army in France and their brothers-in-arms at home who stood ready to join the ranks overseas.

FRUIT CARS INSUFFICIENT

HOOD RIVER APPLES MUST BE MOVED SPEEDILY.

Growers Negotiate for Warehouse Space and May Be Forced to Use Basements in City.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Nov. 11.—(Special.)—While the supply of refrigerator cars has shown considerable improvement in the past week, rolling stock remains far insufficient to handle the big tonnage with a speed necessary to prevent freezing damage when cold weather comes. As a result the directorate of the apple growers' association authorized A. W. Stone, general manager, to lease all available storage space in the valley.

Mr. Stone has negotiated for the warehouse of A. I. Mason in the Pine Grove section, where about 30,000 boxes of fruit may be protected. In case of necessity basements of city blocks and vacant churches of the town will be filled with apples.

The apple growers' association continues to use Columbia river steamers to the limit. Approximately 20,000 boxes each week are being dispatched by boat to be loaded aboard steamers at Portland docks.

"We endeavored to secure a line of barges for handling our apples," says P. F. Clark, sales manager of the association, "but found this system impractical because of the strong and dangerous current in

DRYS RESOLUTE AS EVER

Election Has Worked No Change, Says W. C. T. U. Official.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 11.—"There has been no appreciable weakening of the 'dry' forces as a result of the last election," Mrs. Ella A. Boole, treasurer of the World Women's Christian Temperance Union, vice-president of the national organization and president of the New York state branch, declared today in an address here before the world convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

"The saloon has gone and it must never be permitted to return," she said. "Any beer or wine amendment would mean an immediate re-opening of breweries and the return of the saloon."

Delegates from 23 nations assembled in the city.

State Fair Financial Success.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 11.—(Special.)—Receipts of the Washington state fair of 1921 and 1922, including an appropriation of \$40,000 made by the 1921 legislature, met all running expenses and left a margin sufficient to carry on necessary work until the next appropriation becomes available. E. L. French, director of agriculture, announced today. The two years' receipts from the fair itself totaled \$111,582.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

BROKEN NECK NOT FATAL

Victim Is Recovering Following Removal of Vertebrae.

GRAND FORKS, B. C., Nov. 11.—A month ago John B. Hayes, a local rancher, was thrown from a wagon. His neck was broken.

After a total paralysis he is reported recovering and in possession of all his faculties. Three doctors removed the fifth cervical vertebrae, which was broken.

Lath Mill for Garibaldi.

GARIBALDI, Or., Nov. 11.—(Special.)—A new manufacturing industry is to be added to the huge sawmill of the Whitney company here in the installation of a lath mill, which will be in operation in a short time. New machinery is now being placed and when the plant is in operation it will have a capacity of 90,000 lath per day.

Sheridan Bids for Mill.

SHERIDAN, Or., Nov. 11.—(Special.)—The Sheridan Boosters' club is negotiating with the C. K. Spaulding Lumber company for the location of a sawmill here. It has been understood that Mr. Spaulding expressed a proposal to locate here if a suitable site could be found. The boosters are prepared to offer a site.

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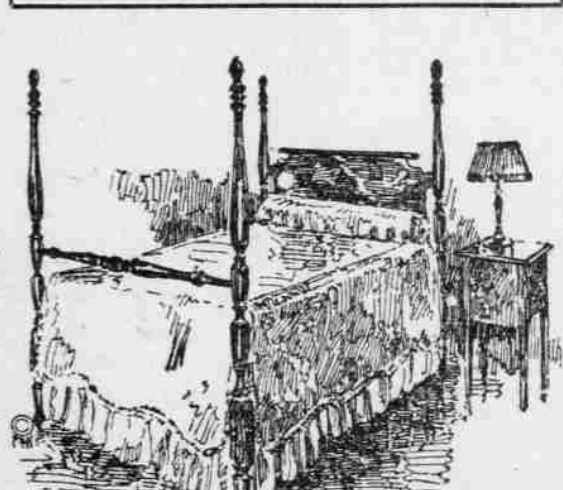
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