

MOTHERS' PENSION PASSES HOUSE AT OLYMPIA, 78 TO 40

State Flag Is Adopted After
Many Patriotic Outbursts;
Additional Judge Allowed
for Mason and Thurston.

(Special to The Journal.)
Olympia, Wash., Feb. 11.—By a vote of 78 to 40, the mothers' pension bill passed the house this morning after an hour's debate. The bill provides for partial support by the state of mothers of children under 14 years of age, whose husbands are dead, are convicts in the penitentiary, inmates of insane asylums or in any way prevented from supporting their families. If the bill passes the senate and is approved by the governor, mothers who need the assistance will be granted \$10 per month for the first child and \$5 a month for each additional child under 14 years of age.

No bill this session has called forth such floods of oratory and "near eloquence" as the bill to adopt a state flag. This apparently innocent little measure, which was the pet scheme of Professor Hughes of Whatcom county, came up for final passage, having been reported out favorably by the committee for final action in the house. Several members attacked it on the ground of disloyalty to the flag of the United States. One member with tears in his voice demanded to know if the legislature intended to trample Old Glory under foot and trail the colors in the dust. Hughes explained that the idea was simply to adopt a distinctive emblem for the state as it already had a state seal and a state flower. After this explanation the bill was passed without further opposition.

The house by an unanimous vote allowed an additional judge for the joint counties of Thurston and Mason. The bill carries an emergency and if passed Governor Lister will appoint at once a judge to assist Judge Mitchell, whose health is in danger of breaking owing to the amount of work required of him in sitting in the courts of the two counties.

MAY PROSECUTE FUEL COMPANY'S OFFICIALS

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Feb. 11.—Criminal prosecution of Western Fuel company officials is strongly hinted at following alleged disclosures that the concern practiced a short-weighting system on its important coal customers. A federal grand jury will begin the inquiry Friday, and it is expected the result will be announced before February 23. Special Federal Agent W. H. Tidwell reports that discrepancies between the amount of coal delivered to the government and the amount reported received have been found. It is stated that W. L. Bunker, a former minor official of the Pacific Fuel Steamship company, has also reported an undue shortage of coal from the concern for one of the trips of the liner Manchuria. The concern is also charged with frauds in securing coal rebates from the government.

Honor James Bryce.
(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, Feb. 11.—It is announced today that British Ambassador James Bryce is to be given an honorary membership in the Academy of Political Science connected with Columbia university. The presentation will occur Friday.

Danseuse Will Represent Evolution of the Famous Court Dance in France



Genee, clever dancer, who will be seen at Heilig theatre.

A beautiful series of dances representing the evolution of the dance in France for a century and a half, when the court luxury of Louis XIV and his successors was at its height, will be the leading feature of the opening night when the fascinating danseuse Adeline Genee makes her first bow to a Portland audience, Friday, February 14, at the Heilig, Eleventh and Morrison streets. Genee carries with her a company of

famous dancers second only to herself, special scenery and her own orchestra. The costumes have attracted much attention as being marvels of beauty. Genee says of the closing feature of this program: "I shall finish with the dance 'pas de quatre,' danced in 1815 before Queen Victoria in London." An entirely different program will be given Saturday night. Seats are now selling for both nights.

BEGIN TO CLAMP LID ON BARBARY COAST

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 11.—The Barbary coast lid is clamped down tight today.

By an edict of the police commission, female habitués of Pacific street resorts can no longer beg for drinks. They must be invited to partake by the patrons. The resorts on Stanyan street for a distance of several blocks are preparing to rip out their dancing floors. King "Rag" can hold away over Pacific street only.

The policemen on their beats will be held personally responsible for the existence of gambling dives. Any officer found aiding or abetting a game will lose his star. Bunko men and "fences" who gather in disreputable saloons will be whisked out of the city by the strong arm of the law.

The edict is believed to be the first step in the complete elimination of the famous "coast." The fact that many recent visitors have been "fished" of their bank rolls caused the commission to act.

CONVICT FROM UMATILLA KILLED BY FOUNDRY BELT

Salem, Or., Feb. 11.—Fred Hook, a convict, was killed at the penitentiary foundry yesterday afternoon. While trying to throw a belt on a piece of machinery his arm was caught and his body horribly mangled. He died two hours later. He was sentenced from Umatilla county for forgery. He was 35 years old and single.

HOUSE IN HALF DAY LESSENS 608 BILLS BY PALTRY SEVEN

By Decisive Vote Makes Oral
Representations Admissible
as Evidence in Cases of
False Pretense.

(Staff Correspondence.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 11.—The house this morning passed seven more bills and sent them along to the senate for approval.

But inasmuch as five new bills were introduced, bringing the appalling total for the session to 608, the whole morning's work showed a net gain of only two bills on the calendar. And this gain was made only by working at top speed and cutting debate on every measure down to the minimum.

Most important of the measures enacted was Latourette's bill to make oral evidence competent in cases of obtaining money under false pretense. In explaining its purpose, Latourette declared it would have more effect in stopping crooked stock and bond transactions than all the blue sky laws that could be passed.

"If we had such a law as this on our statute books," said Latourette, "the Columbia Orchard bonds swindle would never have taken place. Our present law, passed in 1868, which makes a written signature the only evidence on which a criminal conviction can be obtained, encourages false representations and makes crookedness profitable."

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GAS FRANCHISE REPEAL ARGUED IN COMMITTEE

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Salem, Or., Feb. 11.—Senator Kellaher went before the senate judiciary committee last night in support of his bill repealing the two gas franchises held by the Portland Gas & Coke company, but no final action was taken, promise having been given the gas company representatives for a hearing before a report is made. They will be invited to appear tonight.

Kellaher said the city council of Portland has been unable to regulate the gas company because it held franchises from the state, and said the mayor and council will take care of the situation if the legislature will repeal the franchises. He says the city wants to regulate the heat units and to place a tax on the gross earnings of the company.

"Are you sure this bill will not run up against the Dartmouth college case, concerning the impairment of contracts?" asked Senator Thompson.

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Salem, Or., Feb. 11.—A bill by Senator Carson, reducing the time of appeal in

civil cases from six months to 60 days will make it possible for divorced persons to remarry at the end of two months from the time of divorce unless a new law is passed governing the time of remarriage.

Senator Carson did not think of this feature of the bill, he says, in introducing it, and this feature was not mentioned in debate. The bill is designed to prevent long delays, so that after a decree is entered in the circuit court, the winning side will not need to wait six months to learn whether the defeated litigant will carry the case to the higher court.

The courts have held remarriage within six months to be void because the time for taking appeal has not expired.

Reduction of the time of appeal to 60 days accordingly reduces the limit on remarriage to that extent, but would not apply to divorces granted up to the time the Carson bill becomes a law, should it be passed by the house and escape the veto of the governor.

A bill has been introduced in the house that would take care of the situation, as it prohibits remarriage within six months regardless of rights of appeal.

A poultry raiser's profits do not come from the number of chickens he hatches, but the number raised to maturity.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

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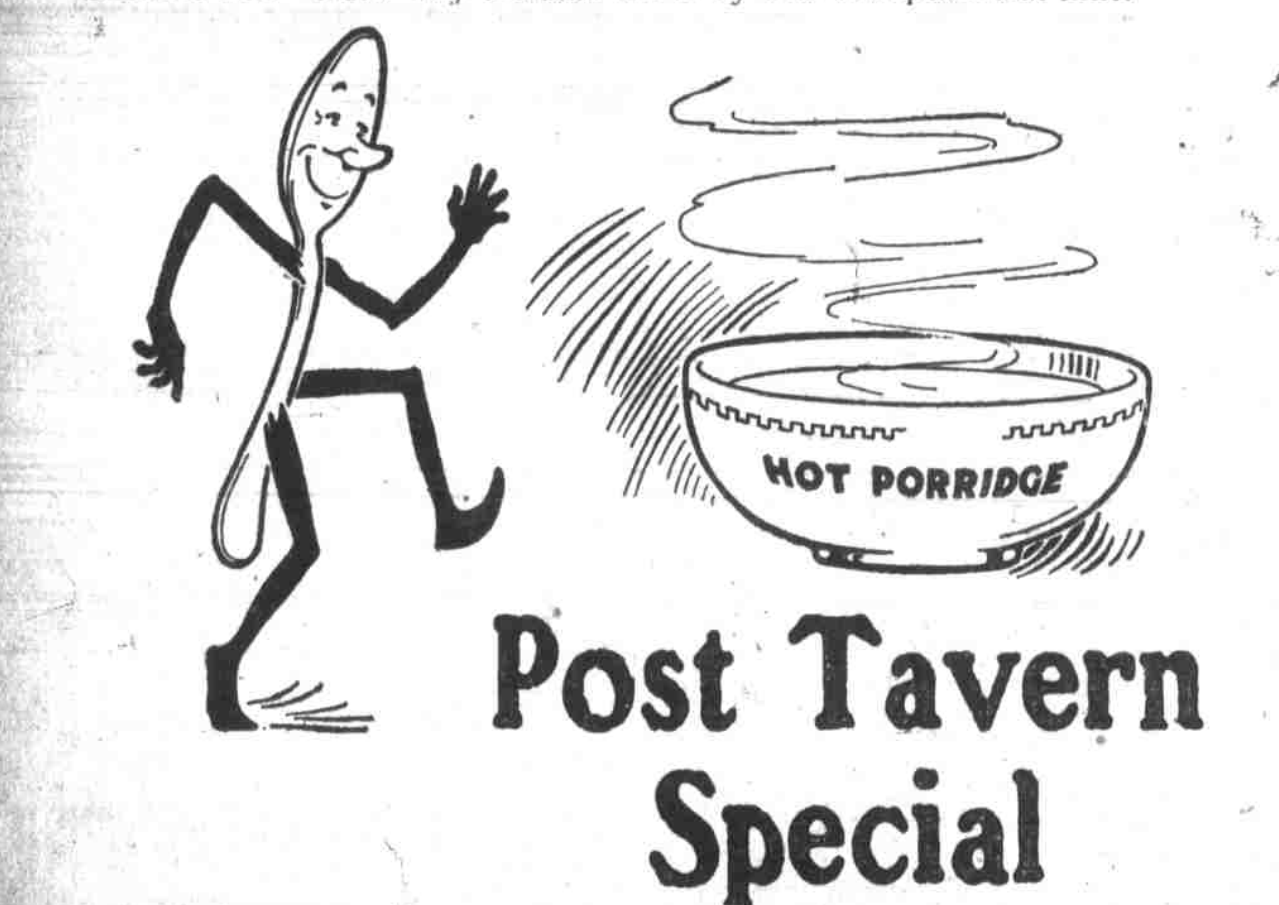
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STERILIZATION BILL MADE SPECIAL ORDER

(Staff Correspondence.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 11.—Representative Jewelling's sterilization bill, which has passed the house, has been made a special order in the senate for tomorrow morning.

Representative Upton's bill, authorizing the suspension of rates by the state railroad commission prior to the time they go into effect, was passed by the senate with Kellaher alone voting in the negative.

One bill was beaten in the senate yesterday afternoon. This was Senator Stewart's bill No. 209, regarding the crossing of lands by persons and livestock on the way to public roads.

SENATE APPROVES BILL FOR LESS REGISTRATION

(Staff Correspondence.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 11.—The senate yesterday passed Senator Carson's bill, doing away with "Blind" A, so every voter must be registered to be qualified to vote. The bill also makes it unnecessary for a voter once registered to repeat his registration unless he removes to another address.

Four Below Zero at La Grande.
LaGrande, Or., Feb. 11.—Four below zero, one of the lowest marks in several years, was the official weather record here last night. It is believed to be the end of the present cold snap.



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