

# COMMITTEES WILL PUT DAMPER UPON LANGUAGE SHARPS

### Notice Is Served on Public That Lawmakers Do Not Intend to Listen to Long Winded Pleas.

### BIG SLASHING LOOMING UP Senator J. C. Smith Would Take 1917 Appropriation for Institutions as Basis of Increase.

By Will T. Kirk  
Salem, Jan. 14.—Long hearings—in fact, hearings of any kind in connection with pleas for appropriations are going to be taboo at this session of the legislature.

At its first meeting Monday afternoon the senate ways and means committee went on record to this effect and served notice upon the public that the committee will not sit and listen to hours of argument on subjects with which the members already are familiar. Those who want to urge certain appropriations will be required to present their claims to the regular senate committee which is handling that subject, and then the ways and means committee will receive the recommendation of the committee.

### Happy Afterthought

Then as an afterthought, but a happy one, for the occasion, he added: "Especially when the influenza is so prevalent."

It was Senator Patterson who made the motion to require all delegations to present their claims to some other committee, but if there should be no appropriate committee which is considering the subject for which an appropriation is asked then the ways and means committee might make the delegation a limited time in which to present the matter at a special hearing.

### Would Make Horizontal Increase

At the initial meeting of the senate ways and means committee Senator J. C. Smith, chairman, suggested a plan for dealing with the various state institution maintenance appropriations. He suggested that the 1917 maintenance appropriation for each institution be taken as a basis of consideration, that 12 per cent be added, which would be equal to a 5 per cent increase for each year, and an effort be made to trim off the surplus.

### Might Work Hardship

But Senator Strayer pointed out that such a rigid method in arriving at the necessary amounts for maintenance of the institutions might work a serious hardship on some of the institutions. He suggested that the committee take the entire state budget, go through it and tentatively approve all it has over which there was no controversy and pass the others for later consideration. When the budget has been gone through the

items which had been temporarily passed would then be taken up. When the job is finished, if the total amount allowed does not balance with the funds available he said the committee could go over some of the items again and make further cuts. This method of procedure will be presented to the house and senate committees meet in joint session tonight.

## KELLAHER LOSES SEAT IN COUNCIL

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term is usually dissolved, and the office becomes vacant and reverts to the people, the source from whence it came, again to be filled by them.

"If Kellaher's appointment ended with the next general municipal election," which occurred on November 5, 1918, and if the charter contemplates an election to fill the office, the question of Perkins and not Kellaher is entitled to hold the office of commissioner until Baker's unexpired term will have ended on June 30, 1919, otherwise Kellaher is the incumbent. \* \* \* unless Perkins was legally elected, there are at least two adequate reasons for the conclusion that Kellaher is entitled to continue in the office until July 1, 1919.

### Successor Is Elected

\* \* \* If the charter contains authority for an election of a commissioner for an unexpired term then by electing Perkins the people did in truth succeed in electing Kellaher's successor because his successor had been elected and qualified. The question would lawfully hold over if no person had been elected for the unexpired term but whether Kellaher can hold over in the face of the fact of Perkins has been elected. \* \* \* Any conclusion which denies the voters the right to choose some person to take the place of the appointee does and must, as it seems to the writer, ignore the meaning of the words "until the next general municipal election." The judgment should be to the effect that T. L. Perkins is entitled to hold the office of commissioner until and including the day of July 1, 1919.

### Dissenting Opinion Given

Chief Justice McBride, in summing up the dissenting opinion, said: "Speaking generally the office of commissioner of the city of Portland is undoubtedly an elective office and Kellaher was an incumbent of that office. The fact that he had been chosen by the council to fill a vacancy in the office did not change the quality of the office itself. It still remained elective in character even though occupied by a person chosen to hold it temporarily by a body other than the whole electorate. The question whether Kellaher held over until July 1, 1919, depends upon whether or not there is authority in the charter for holding a special election to fill the remainder of Baker's unexpired term from November 5, 1918, to July 1, 1919. The writer fails to find such authority in that instrument. \* \* \* Section 123 of the charter of 1913 indicates that the legislative mind that under any contingency more than two commissioners could be chosen at the same election. This fact, considered with the fact that in another section of the charter provision was made for the election of an auditor to fill an unexpired term, has great weight as indicating that it was not the intention of the committee who framed the charter or the electorate who adopted it to provide for an election to fill an unexpired term in the office of commissioner.

### Kellaher Refused to Yield

"A judgment should be entered declaring defendant lawfully entitled to hold the office of commissioner until July 1, 1919." The decision settles a matter of argument in the Portland city hall. Since the election Mr. Kellaher has refused to turn over the office to Mr. Perkins on the ground that he was entitled to hold the office until July 1.

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### Mary Doherty, administratrix of the

## COMMITTEES ARE NAMED IN HOUSE

### Damage Case Remanded

Andrew Morgan Beakey et al, appellants, vs. Clara Knutson, executrix of the will of C. C. Johnson, et al; Multnomah, petition for rehearing denied; opinion by Chief Justice McBride.

E. L. Ridley, appellant, vs. Portland Taxicab company, Multnomah; suit for damages for personal injuries; opinion by Justice Benson.

### Scheubel Indicates New Bills to Tax Public Utilities

Salem, Jan. 14.—Chris Scheubel indicated that there is to be legislation concerning the taxation of public service corporations during the coming session.

He introduced two resolutions, one directing the state tax commission to prepare and furnish to the house, within ten days, a tabulated list of the assessed values of all such corporations as found by the commission, giving the information by counties. The other directed the public service commission to furnish the valuations for all such corporations as found by it.

This information is to be used by the committee on assessment and taxation in the consideration of tax legislation.

## Camp Lewis Will Let Player Boys Come Back Again

Such an unqualified success was the show presented by the Camp Lewis professional vaudeville performers last week that arrangements for a return engagement were quickly effected, the soldier boys being booked to appear again at the Hotel Healy on Friday and Saturday nights, January 17 and 18, with a Saturday matinee at popular prices, that every fan may attend.

There was genuine surprise over the way in which the soldier boys lived up to advance notices from Seattle, Tacoma and Aberdeen. Lieutenant Armstrong and Private Everett Howe, directors of the show and both former actors, are justly proud of the combination of talent assembled. Before returning to American Lake they announced that eight of the numbers presented last week will be retained on the return bill and that two sparkling new acts will be added. The Depot Brigade orchestra returns to add to the snappy "lazzi" of the bill.

### Sale of tickets is on today at the theatre ticket office.

### Safe Is Robbed

Seattle, Jan. 14.—(I. N. S.)—Discovery was made Monday that the vault in the office of the Albers Bros. Milling company was unlocked some time Sunday night and the contents of 50 steel boxes taken. In the boxes were employees' money, Liberty bonds, Thrift Stamps and private papers, the value of which has not been ascertained. The thief jimmied his way into the offices and apparently had the combination of the vault.

## INFLUENZA AGAIN.

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## COMMITTEES ARE NAMED IN HOUSE

### Speaker Jones Keeps Faith With Burdick in Assigning Former Opponents.

Salem, Jan. 14.—The standing committees of the house were announced by Speaker Jones just before adjournment this morning.

The important committee of assessment and taxation went to Fuller of Polk. Hurd drew fisheries, McFarland is chairman of game, Egan of horticulture, Martin of insurance, Merriman of irrigation, Bean of judiciary, Scheubel of labor and industries, Kubll of printing, Stewart of public lands, Sheldon of resolutions, Egan of roads and highways, and transportation, Hare of revision of laws, Dennis of roads and highways and Gordon of ways and means.

The amount of money away the cloud that hung around the possible appointments of Speaker Jones and shows that he has apparently redeemed practically all of his promises made to the placement of the Burdick followers at the time Burdick withdrew from the speakership fight.

### Only in Two Instances Were the Burdick Followers Not Represented in the committee appointments, upon roads and highways and ways and means. Kubll, one of the original Burdick men, is given the principal sinking fund for the retirement of these bonds out of increased automobile license fees, while at the same time providing for the interest payments, gasoline taxes, amendments to the statutes providing for the assessment and collection of the personal property tax on automobiles, and some other means, are talked of as reservoirs from which to draw more money to help finance the program.

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### Other Appointments

Hunter on agriculture, Gallagher on irrigation and revision of laws, Merriman on irrigation and engrossed bills, Dodd on resolutions, irrigation, banking and salaries; Brownell on irrigation, agriculture and engrossed bills; Bolton on horticulture and assessment and taxation; Woodson on judiciary, Ballagh on fisheries, Westlund on horticulture, Sidler on judiciary and insurance, Hurd on revision of laws, Kubll on ways and means, Lewis on judiciary and counties, Horne on labor and industries and E. E. Smith on the same two days; Burdick men, is given the big law committee of the house, but was given no chairmanship.

After committee appointment had been announced, Burdick went to Speaker Jones and thanked him for the consideration shown his followers in the personnel of the committees.

Agriculture—Wheeler, Crawford, Hunter, Brownell, Westlund. Banking—Gore, Dedman, Haines, Dodd, Gordon, Elmors, Romon, Corbett, Cline and Towns—Richardson, Coffey, A. A. Smith. Claims—Ballagh, Stewart, David Graham. Commerce and Navigation—Lofgren, Roman, Edwards, Hosford, Brownell, Corbett, Cline, Sheldon, Burdick, Hosford, Eugene Smith. Counties—Lewis, Lewis, McFarland, Griggs, Thomas. Education—Thompson, Lafferty, David Graham, Brand, Richardson. Elections—Hurd, Hurd, Horne, Woodson. Expositions and Fairs—L. M. Graham, Loney, Hun and Childs, Moore. Engrossed Bills—Richardson, Gordon, Merriman. Enrolled Bills—Childs, Brownell, Fuller. Fisheries—Hurd, Hughes, Stannard, Ballagh, Hurd, Sidler, Roman. Food and Dairy Products—Weeks, Thrift, Crawford, Griggs, Merriman. Forestry and Conservation—Hosford, Lafferty, Edwards, Fuller, Elmors. Game—McFarland, Griggs, Hughes, Bean, Moore. Health and Public Morals—Elmors, Dedman, Weeks, Thomas Burnaugh. Horticulture—Hurd, Westlund, Weeks, Bolton, Sheldon. Immigration—David Graham, Horne, Jones, Moore, Coffey. Insurance—Martin, Coffey, Sidler, Roman, Richardson. Irrigation—Merriman, Gallagher, Wheeler, Dodd, Brownell. Judiciary—Bean, Burdick, Cross, Lewis, Martin, Woodson, Sidler. Labor and Industry—Scheubel, Horne, Eugene Smith, Hughes, Griggs. Livestock—Griggs, Wheeler, Woodson, Bolton. Manufacturing—Dedman, Jones, Idelman, David Graham, Gordon. Medicine, Pharmacy and Dentistry—blank. Military Affairs—Westlund, Burdick, Roman, Bean, Stewart. Mining—A. A. Smith, Gallagher, Denning, Gore. Printing—Kubll, Hurd, Eugene Smith, L. M. Graham, Martin. Public Institutions—Hunter, Woodson, Hare, Brand, Wheeler. Public Lands—Stewart, Ballagh, Stannard, Burdick, Lewis. Railways and Transportation—Edwards, Idelman, Dennis, Lafferty, Lofgren. Resolutions—Sheldon, Richardson, Hare, Dodd, Kubll. Revision of Laws—Hare, Scheubel, Lofgren, Richardson, Jones, Gallagher, A. A. Smith. Roads and Highways—Dennis, Gore, Wright, L. M. Graham, Richardson, Thoms, Thrift. Rules and Joint Rules—Blank. Salaries of Public Officials—Wright, Dodd, Burnaugh, Edwards, Lafferty. Ways and Means—Lofgren, Haines, Kubll, Thompson, Childs, Brand, Loney.

### Big Bertha Road BOND GUN READY

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"East Side" and the "West Side" highways. Underlying Unrest Factor from Marion, Linn and Clackamas counties formed the nucleus of Mr. Jones' strength when he entered the speakership fight. Then the west siders, from Polk, Yamhill and Washington counties, swung into line for his candidacy, but not before they had exacted a promise that the west side men should be given the chairmanship of the house committee.

This agreement has been the cause of an underlying unrest, which may, or may not be ironed out as the session wears on. It is a condition that is dangerous to Mr. Jones' control of his organization.

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view of the unhealed breach between him and the last ditch followers of Denton Burdick who, while they voted for Jones, did so with more or less obvious reservations as to their legislative course during the coming days of the session.

## High Explosives Plentiful

But aside from the unexploded dynamite that will be left in the wake of the committee appointments, there will be plenty of high explosives dumped into the legislature when the road bills are introduced.

It is a foregone conclusion that the road program will be the big money item of the session, when it is brought up from Portland, will carry a bond issue of something like \$10,000,000. It is planned, so rumor has it, to take care of the principal sinking fund for the retirement of these bonds out of increased automobile license fees, while at the same time providing for the interest payments, gasoline taxes, amendments to the statutes providing for the assessment and collection of the personal property tax on automobiles, and some other means, are talked of as reservoirs from which to draw more money to help finance the program.

## Big Bond Issue Looms

On the other hand there are those in the legislature who still hold to the theory that the right way to build roads is

by immediate payment through direct tax levies, millage or otherwise.

## District Assessment Plan

Then there is a plan to provide for the district assessment under which certain road districts would tax themselves to pay for lateral county roads, the property owners of the district pay a portion of the cost, the county a portion and the state the remainder.

There are, in fact, nearly as many plans for road construction and financing as there are members of the house and senate who pose as road legislators, and most of them lay more or less claim to that distinction.

So far, of course, the road program is mostly composed of rumors, for the bills have not begun to come in for consideration.

## Irrigation Bonds Guaranty

Salem, Jan. 14.—Guaranty of irrigation bonds by the state through the provisions of a constitutional amendment that will give the officials of the state that power, is the plan now being whipped into shape for submission to the legislature and through it to the people by Representative Gallagher of Malheur county.

As the law now stands irrigation districts can vote bonds and have them ratified by the secretary of state after the project has been examined and approved by the irrigation securities committee.

Mr. Gallagher would like to have authority given the state to underwrite or guarantee bonds that had been certified under the provision of the present law.

The reason for this is that bond buyers during the past two years have been making a big margin off of irrigation district bonds.

Practically all those sold, and the total runs close to two million dollars, have been sold at 90 cents on the dollar. This has resulted in a loss of some two hundred thousand dollars to the settlers of the various irrigation districts of the state. It is believed by Mr. Gallagher and other irrigationists that irrigation bonds would be sold at par or above, if they were guaranteed by the state, and this is the purpose of the proposed amendment. It will be presented to the house in a short time for consideration and submission to the people at the next general election, or at an special election that might be called, should such action be deemed necessary by the present legislature for any purpose arising during the session.

## Building Fund for New Church Will Be Pushed Rapidly

Determined to press vigorously the campaign of the Grace Memorial Episcopal church for a new church building which will cost approximately \$20,000, Campaign Manager Edward N. Strong issued a call this morning for a meeting of colonels and lieutenants at the church, East Seventeenth and Welder, at 3 o'clock this evening.

The campaign organization consists of Rev. Oswald Taylor, "generalissimo"; Edward N. Strong, manager; J. L. Etheridge, H. P. Dutton, Joseph T. Peters, H. P. Barnhardt, Walter E. Bliss and George F. Anderson, colonels; William McLeod, John A. Keating, W. J. Dennis, C. L. Reynolds, Frank E. Smith, J. C. Grady, D. L. Blodgett, A. B. Cutler, W. P. Jenkins, F. O. Miller, A. G. Findlay, W. J. Rush, L. D. Roberts, E. E. Paville,

J. H. Bagley, J. H. Gallagher and G. B. McLeod, lieutenants.

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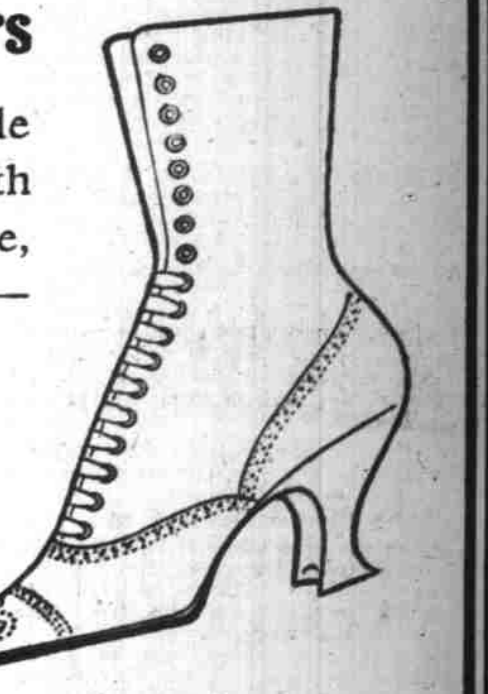
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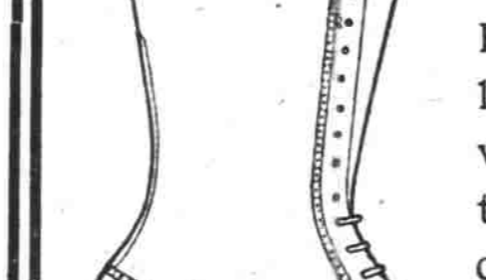
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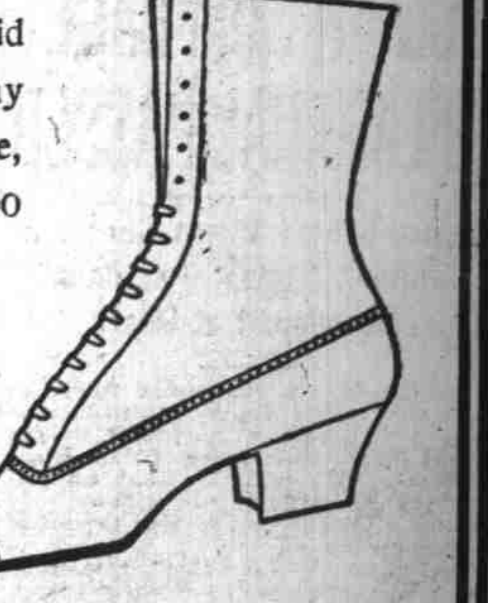
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