

Oregon Lawmakers at Work on State Problems

HUGE BOND ISSUE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS FAVORED

Committee in Senate Will Recommend Bill Providing for \$10,000,000 to Be Used.

DOUBLE AUTO TAX FAVORED

Penny Gallon on Gasoline Also Included; Big Trucks to Be Given First Consideration.

By Will T. Kirk

Salem, Jan. 16.—At its initial meeting Wednesday night the senate committee on roads and highways tentatively approved the following program:

A bill providing for a \$10,000,000 bond issue, the money not to be limited to paving alone, but to be used to build roads.

Double all automobile license taxes. A tax of one cent a gallon on gasoline and distillate.

Prohibit the payment of royalties on any pavement laid.

Bids for paving to be accepted only on plans and specifications prepared by the state highway department.

Pacific highway from the northern to the southern boundaries of the state and the east and west highway from Portland to the Idaho line at Ontario to be built first, secondary trunk lines next, and feeder roads third.

Trunk Lines Come First

Approximately 75 per cent of the \$10,000,000 to be spent on two main trunk lines and 25 per cent to be left to the discretion of the highway commission expenditure in other counties.

Every member of the committee is a good road booster, and the only dissenting vote cast on the motion to approve a \$10,000,000 bond bill came from Senator J. S. Smith of Crook county, who thought that \$5,000,000 was enough and if more is provided that the large amount will breed extravagance and the highway commission will be unable to judiciously expend it in two years.

From the standpoint of unanimity of sentiment, the meeting was remarkable. It indicated that the senators want to proceed with a road building program of their own and not wait for someone from the outside to slip them a road bill, all cooked and primed, for rushing through the legislature.

Opposition Is Weak

If there are any paving concerns pulling hidden strings, it seems evident that they do not deal in patented pavements. Only one vote was cast against the motion to exclude patented pavements, or rather to prohibit the payment of royalties on pavement, and that was cast by Senator Handley, who took the position that he did not care whether a pavement was patented or not, just so the state got the best pavement for the least cost. All the other members of the committee adopted the motion with enthusiasm. No doubt it will result in an S. O. S. call going out to the paving lobby, but if the sentiment expressed last night rings true, the paving interests want to

be careful not to kill the goose that lays the golden egg, as a big bonding bill with some objectionable features is better than no bill at all.

Solution of Soldier Problem
Underlying the desire for road improvement was the thought, which was frequently brought to the surface, that the road building program is the only practical solution of the question of providing adequate employment for returning soldiers and those who will be displaced from present jobs by soldiers dropping back into their old places.

That argument was used to meet Senator Smith's objection to the size of the proposed bond issue.

It was brought out that Oregon not only wants to continue the conservative road building program inaugurated two years ago, but this is the time for the state to plunge in road building for patriotic reasons.

It is proposed to finance the bond issue with the increased receipts from the automobile licenses and the gasoline tax.

But Senator Smith served notice on the committee that he would fight any \$10,000,000 bill.

"The people of Oregon will not vote for a \$10,000,000 bill," he declared. "There are a lot of moss-backs just like me who think that is too much."

Senator Rittner and Senator Hurley declared it was the patriotic duty of the legislature to put a bill of that size through.

Emergency Clause Favored
"I am not only ready to vote for it, but I am ready to attach the emergency clause," said Senator Rittner.

Senator Norblad was a strong advocate of a big bond issue, and joined Senator Handley in quizzing Senator Smith as to why anybody who is not an owner of an automobile should oppose the bill, as the bonds are to be paid for by the autoists.

"We might as well make one good, big job of it right now," said Senator Norblad. "We should build both commercial roads and pleasure roads. Do it now and the money will be there."

He said he had not met a single automobile owner who was not in favor of increasing the license tax and using the money to build roads. The revenues which will be derived from tourist travel alone would pay for the roads, he insisted.

Scuffed At Idea
Senator Handley scoffed at the idea of paying for the bonds out of the automobile license tax and using the road building program for furnishing employment to soldiers.

"The 20,000 soldiers who are returning to Oregon are not looking for jobs building roads," he insisted. "All this talk about reconstruction is idle. We have not destroyed anything but the political chances of some of us who stayed at home."

Bills covering the various features agreed upon by the committee will be drafted at once for the consideration of the committee. It is also proposed to invite the house roads committee to meet with the senate committee in joint session and invite the members of the highway commission to come before them for a general discussion of the road building program.

Owyhee Project Is Favored by House

Salem, Jan. 16.—Under a suspension of rules, moved by Gallagher, the house this afternoon passed the senate joint memorial No. 2, introduced by Senator Hurley, memorializing congress and the Oregon delegation to pass the appropriation for the Owyhee irrigation project in Malheur county.

WOULD INCREASE TEACHER SUPPLY

Representative Cross Wants Certificates for University and College Graduates.

Salem, Jan. 16.—Representative Cross of Clackamas county would have the school certification law of 1911 so amended that graduates of universities and colleges could teach in grade schools of the state. A bill to that effect was introduced in the house Wednesday afternoon.

As the law stands, graduates of normal schools are able to secure certificates to teach in all the schools of the state, while graduates of the University of Oregon and of the agricultural colleges can teach only in high schools.

Representative Cross and other friends of the amendment in the house contend that this law works a hardship on the school system of the state, and that it should be amended in order to provide the best possible teachers and a greater number of them.

The bill probably will meet with a great deal of opposition from those who in the past have been fostering the normal school program of the state and undoubtedly will become one of the fighting points of the session.

Other bills introduced in the house during the afternoon were:

Bill 29, by Burdick, raising the salaries of the county officials of Crook county.

Bill 30, by Sider, amending section 1138 of Lord's Oregon laws, by providing that the official bonds of administrators, executors and guardians in probate matters shall be recorded by the county clerk in a book provided for that purpose, together with the names of the sureties on the bonds.

Bill 31, by Burdick, raising the salaries of the county officials in Deschutes county.

Bill 32, by Cross, amending section 13 of chapter 239 of the laws of 1917 by the addition of personal property to the qualification of a voter at a district road meeting.

Shipworkers of Grays Harbor Quit

Aberdeen, Wash., Jan. 16.—Between 700 and 1000 employees of the Grays Harbor shipyards, members of unions affiliated with the local trades council, struck this morning following demands for increased wages and different work-in conditions. Although 12 unions are involved in the walkout, officials of the three shipyards in Aberdeen and Hoquiam—the Grays Harbor Motorship corporation, the Grays Harbor Shipyard and the Matthews—announce that the yards will continue to operate. The demands of the unions, rejection of which precipitated the strike, are practically those presented last summer. They call for wages of \$1 an hour for most of the skilled trades and \$6 a day for laborers.

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Bills Introduced In State Senate

Salem, Jan. 16.—The following bills were introduced in the senate Wednesday:

S. B. 6.—By Norblad; amending attachment law.

S. B. 7.—By Norblad; prohibiting district attorneys from using public stationery for private correspondence.

S. B. 8.—By Norblad; authorizing municipalities to levy taxes by popular vote for boring wells for oil, gas and coal.

S. B. 9.—By Norblad; permitting justice court defendants to plead mortgage claim.

S. B. 10.—By Norblad; taking from district attorneys one third of moneys collected as fines for game law violations and putting same in the state treasury.

S. B. 11.—By Eberhard; uniform sales law.

S. B. 12.—By Banks; proposing constitutional amendment providing for compulsory voting.

S. B. 13.—By Huston; relating to old soldiers' taxation exemption.

S. B. 14.—By Huston; providing for women attorneys at all public institutions.

S. B. 15.—By Huston; creating state market commission.

S. B. 16.—By Norblad; providing for sale of this law works a hardship on the school system of the state, and that it should be amended in order to provide the best possible teachers and a greater number of them.

S. B. 17.—By Bell; authorizing executor of estate to borrow money for payment of expenses of administration, taxes or other indebtedness.

S. B. 18.—By Eberhard; to make uniform the law relating to limited partnerships.

S. B. 19.—By Baldwin; providing that stockholders reserve requirements shall not apply to state banks which are members of the federal reserve banking system.

S. B. 20.—By Baldwin; authorizing the state superintendent of banks to furnish federal reserve bank copies of all reports and information pertaining to condition of state bank members of federal reserve system.

S. B. 21.—By Lafollette eliminating state aid for industrial accident commission.

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S. B. 26.—By Lafollette eliminating state aid for industrial accident commission.

SENATORS FAVOR AID WITHDRAWAL

But They Disagree as to Making Workmen's Compensation Statute Compulsory in State.

Salem, Jan. 16.—Senators B. L. Eddy and J. M. A. Hurley, members of the committee appointed by the last legislature to make a study of the question of withdrawing state aid from the state industrial accident commission, and of making the workmen's compensation act compulsory, presented a report Wednesday afternoon in which they agree as to withdrawing state aid, but disagree as to the compulsory feature.

Senator Eddy favors making the law compulsory at the same time state aid is withdrawn, while Senator Hurley wants

to submit the question to a vote of the people.

Senator Eddy, in a separate signed statement attached to the report, says he is of the opinion that "it is especially important that the withdrawal of state aid and the compulsory amendment should be concurrent and that the legislature have given attention to the subject, readily will see the wisdom of such a course."

In opposition to this, Senator Hurley says: "The undersigned is of the opinion that the workmen's compensation law should not be made compulsory without first submitting the proposition to the vote of the people of the state of Oregon. To do away with fair and open competition would be a step toward Socialism, and this should not be done until it is conclusively shown that the state can carry on this work as cheaply as a private corporation."

Freight Handling Truck
Canby, Jan. 16.—One of the biggest and most valuable truck loads of freight ever to go through Canby was that of plaster scenery for the Oregon theatre at Salem, carried by a special train of the Highways Rapid Transit, which was loaded at the theatre in Salem and unloaded at the theatre in Canby without one piece being broken or chipped. The load was valued at \$3000.

Best doing such satisfactory work, the cost to the consignee was about one sixth of what it would have been by railroad.

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Inquiry Is Begun to Ascertain Cause of A Fatal Explosion

Boston, Mass., Jan. 16.—Investigations are under way to fix responsibility for the explosion of the gigantic molasses tank on the waterfront Wednesday causing the death of 11 persons, the injury of 60 and property damage estimated at \$500,000.

The debris is being searched for persons still missing. All of the identified dead and injured were local people. Among the dead is John Lennon, a brother-in-law of the late John L. Sullivan, famous pugilist.

The explosion was believed to have been caused by a mixture of air and gas within the great tank, the largest on the Atlantic seaboard. In the opinion of chemists, steam pipes, fixed in the tank to warm the molasses, caused the gases to form.

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