

Full Steam Ahead Marks First Day of Special Session

LITTLE WORD "IF" SWINGS DECISION IN OLCOTT'S FAVOR

Justice Bennett Solves Problem In Olcott's Favor in Governorship Issue.

State House, Salem, Or., Jan. 14.—So even and delicately balanced was the scales of justice in the Oregon supreme court in the arguments pro and con in the case which decided the status of Ben W. Olcott as governor of Oregon, that it required only the addition of an "if" to throw the balance in favor of Olcott and a "full unexpired" term.

FIGHT ON ROYALTIES FOR PAVING PATENTS REAPPEARS IN HOUSE

Bill Similar to One Which Caused Fight in 1919 Session Introduced by Hare.

State House, Salem, Jan. 14.—Hare of Washington has dumped the anti-paving fight back into the special session by introducing a bill in the house Tuesday afternoon making it unlawful to pay any money out of the state highway funds in payment of any royalties on patented pavement, copyrights, materials, processes, mixtures, formulas or specifications exclusively claimed by any paving company or contractor until the validity of the same has first been sustained by the district court of the United States at Portland.

Bill Proposes Two Commissions, Each With Special Duty

State House, Salem, Jan. 14.—Carefully avoiding the session of the Joint game and fisheries committee, which Tuesday reported out favorably the Norblad-Handley-Bear bill creating a state fish and game commission and its members, two companion bills sponsored by Senator Thomas of Jackson county, abolishing the present fish and game commission and creating two entirely separate commissions was presented to the senate from the floor in the afternoon.

19 Measures Are Introduced in House Thursday Afternoon

Statehouse, Salem, Or., Jan. 14.—The following bills were introduced in the house during its afternoon session Tuesday: H. R. 29, by Coffey—Defining a public dance hall, regulating the hours of closing the same.

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Bend to Klamath Railroad Project Launched in House

State House, Salem, Jan. 14.—House concurrent resolution No. 8, introduced by Burdick, marks the first step in the promised plan to secure the cooperative construction of a railroad from Bend to Klamath Falls.

Bill Provides for Appointment of Biologist of State

Statehouse, Salem, Or., Jan. 14.—The appointment of a state biologist by the governor is provided for in a bill introduced in the house Tuesday afternoon by Burdick. The office, should it be created by the legislature, would carry an annual salary of \$3000, together with an annual expense account of not to exceed \$15,000.

REPEAL OF SIX PER CENT LIMIT ON TAXES ASKED

State House, Salem, Jan. 14.—The long promised onslaught on the 6 per cent tax limitation amendment was made in the senate Tuesday afternoon when Senator Hurley sent a joint resolution to the desk providing for the absolute repeal of the limitation. The resolution was sent to the committee on resolutions in ordinary course and will be due for action by the senate late today or tomorrow.

HOUSE IS CONSIDERING BILL SUBMITTED FOR TWO MILL TAX LEVY

State House, Salem, Jan. 14.—The 2 mill tax bill, prepared by the office of the state superintendent of public instruction, in accordance with the recommendations of the state teachers convention recently held in Portland, was introduced in the house Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Thompson.

Measure Framed by State Teachers Will Go to People Should Legislature Approve It.

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WOMAN ORATOR TO BE SHOWN HONOR

Honoring Miss Margaret Garrison, winner of the national oratorical contest of the Inter-collegiate Prohibition association, an assembly program will be held at Franklin High school Thursday at 1:45 p. m., where Miss Garrison is an instructor of English and public speaking.

FATHER NOT TO AID MAN HELD AS RED

Aberdeen, Wash., Jan. 13.—"Any person who belongs to the I. W. W. organization is a traitor to his country and should be prosecuted to the full extent of the law."

HOUSE VOTES TO KILL ZONING LAW; TWELVE FAVOR IT

State House, Salem, Or., Jan. 14.—The city zoning law, enacted at the last regular session of the legislature, was knocked out by an overwhelming majority in the house late Tuesday afternoon. But 12 votes were recorded in favor of the zoning system, out of the 59 possible ballots of the house.

SENATE PASSES BILL GIVING POWERS TO PORT OF PORTLAND

State House, Salem, Jan. 14.—All the powers possessed by any other port organization under the general laws of Oregon are conferred upon the Port of Portland, in addition to the powers already possessed by that port, until the special act creating the port, in a bill sponsored by the Multnomah county delegation and passed by the senate Tuesday afternoon.

Johnson Is Given Warm Ovation in California Meeting

San Francisco, Jan. 14.—(U. P.)—In what promised for a time to be a rally for Senator Hiram Johnson, Western Republican leaders last night gathered at the Palace hotel at a banquet given in honor of Will H. Hays, chairman of the Republican national committee.

Sargent Is Elected Port Commissioner; Joint Action Taken

State House, Salem, Jan. 14.—H. A. Sargent, vice president of the Simons Saw company, was elected a member of the Port of Portland commission by the legislature in joint convention at noon today and reported on independent grounds that he would resign.

Measure Designed To Bar Dancing in Wee Morning Hours

Statehouse, Salem, Jan. 14.—Coffey of Multnomah county and Mrs. Thompson of formerly of Wasco but now of Multnomah, are out to regulate dance halls maintained and operated outside the limits of any city or town by introducing bills with that object in view during the afternoon session of Tuesday.

Bill Would Bar All Pictures of Crimes

State House, Salem, Jan. 14.—The depicting in motion pictures of any scene which is to be kept open between the hours of 1 and 7 o'clock a. m. in counties having a population of 100,000 or more, is prohibited by the provisions of a bill introduced by Senator Eberhard. Scenes depicting murder, rapine and crimes of violence would be deleted from the movies in this state if Eberhard's bill should become a law.

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Mortgage Interest Rate of 8 Per Cent Limit Under Bill

State House, Salem, Jan. 14.—Representative Burnhough is not in favor of a mortgage interest rate in excess of 8 per cent and has introduced a bill to limit the rate to that amount. His measure, introduced Tuesday afternoon, is in the nature of an amendment of the section of the code fixing the legal rate of interest at 6 per cent. He renounces that section, which fixes the legal rate at 6 per cent, with the right of a 10 per cent interest rate on contracts, and then adds the limitation which makes it unlawful to charge more than 8 per cent on any mortgage note or on in security for money borrowed in the state.

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