

5 CONSOLIDATION PORT MEASURES ARE PRESENTED

Five separate bills, each providing for certain phases of the project for the consolidation of the Port of Portland with the dock commission of the city of Portland and granting powers for the consolidated body, were presented before the Multnomah county members of the state legislature Thursday evening by J. B. Kerr, F. M. Warren and F. C. Knapp.

State Senator Gus Moser proposed that the legislative delegation adopt a resolution of approval and plan to present the bills on the opening day of the state legislature. Other members wanted more time. The matter was made the special order for the meeting of the delegation next Monday night.

Bill No. 1 provides for the consolidation of the properties of the Port of Portland and the city dock commission, consolidation of the membership of these commissions, besides the bonds by the Port of Portland to acquire properties of the city under the jurisdiction of the dock commission and for other purposes, and defines the general powers of the commission.

Bill No. 2 provides powers for the commission with respect to internal affairs of the Port of Portland whereby it may adopt ordinances, and also provides for the exercise of the referendum by the voters of the district.

Bill No. 3 provides for the assessment of damages and benefits sustained or accruing from the filling of swamp land or overflow land and for the creation of a lien against such land. It also gives the right of appeal.

The provisions of bill No. 4 are general. This is an act limiting the authority of ports organized or created under any general or special law, with respect to the purchase of lands for purposes other than channel improvements.

Bill No. 5 provides for the appointment of commissioners of the Port of Portland by the governor of Oregon.

The gist of the argument in favor of the various measures proposed was that immediate action was imperative.

Provision is made that "carpet baggers" shall find a place in the membership of the Port of Portland commission. No person shall be eligible as a commissioner unless he shall have resided within the district for at least three consecutive years prior to his appointment. And no commissioner shall receive any salary or payment other than for expenses actually incurred.

One of the bills places a restraint on the price that can be paid for land for industrial purposes, limiting the authority of ports for purchase of land for other than channel improvements to the appraised value or to the value placed on them by legal condemnation proceedings.

While the consolidated commission would, at the beginning, be composed of the membership of the two bodies, eventually it would be automatically reduced to a body of five commissioners.

F. M. Warren said the commission will have to borrow money before March 15 for dredge maintenance and that if legislative relief is not given at the forthcoming session there will be absolutely no dredging work for the ensuing year, while any freshet might leave this port without adequate water for ships because of the deposits of silt and sand. About \$5,000,000 is needed, he said, for dredging. It is the first intent of the port commission to use all money available to keep open a 30 foot channel, declared Warren.

Coal Cut 25 to 75 Cents at St. Louis

St. Louis, Dec. 31.—(I. N. S.)—Three of the largest coal companies in St. Louis today announced reductions of from 25 to 75 cents per ton on the retail price of soft coal and \$3.25 to \$3.50 per ton on coke, effective tomorrow. No reductions have been made on anthracite coal, which is selling here at \$17.15 to \$17.40 per ton. Bituminous coal, under the new prices, will range from \$7 to \$8.75 per ton.

Tong War Breaks Out in Los Angeles; Two Killed So Far

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 31.—(I. N. S.)—Guarding against a reprisal attack in a tong war which broke out last night in Chinatown with the killing of two Chinese and the serious wounding of another by gunmen of the opposing tong, the police made efforts to check the feud because it spreads to other cities of the Pacific coast.

Police Chief Lyle Pendegast blockaded Chinatown with a cordon of officers surrounding the district and warned the police of San Francisco, San Diego and other coast cities that war to the death had been declared by the tong leaders in Los Angeles.

TRUCK OF CANADIAN WHISKEY IS STOLEN

Somewhere in Portland there is a full truckload of Canadian bonded whiskey. Harvey Thatcher, lieutenant in charge of the "doughnut squad"—so-called because it is rewarded after each arrest with a cup of coffee and a doughnut—is sure of this.

Furthermore Thatcher is certain that the present holders of this fluid more precious than rubies are not the men who smuggled it across the Canadian border. This truck load of whiskey was stolen from in front of a restaurant early Wednesday morning, while the driver was getting his breakfast, Thatcher claims.

Thursday a man came to Thatcher in the auto theft bureau to report the theft of a truck. When the portly lieutenant questioned him about the owner of the truck the driver became embarrassed and replied that the owner was in the lobby. Suddenly Thatcher shot at him the question:

"What was in the truck?"

The driver was confused and finally said the truck was empty, but later admitted it had a few boxes on it. Harvey told the man to wait in his office while he went down in the lobby to find the owner of the truck. There was no truck owner in the lobby. The lieutenant hurried back to his private office, but the driver had seized his chance and fled. Thatcher says he was informed through a confidential source that this was the driver of the stolen truck of whiskey.

Where is it now? The police would like to know, too.

North Plains Bank Safety Boxes Are Looted by Thieves

Hillsboro, Dec. 31.—Robbers entered the North Plains Commercial bank Thursday night, robbing several safety deposit boxes of Liberty bonds and War Savings stamps. The robbers took the boxes to the Sinclair hep house, between North Plains and this city, and sorted out the valuables.

Bertillon experts have been engaged to look over the scene of the robbery. It is not known how much of value the thieves secured but it is supposed to run into several thousand dollars.

M. L. Hochfeld Is on Trial in Stamp Case

M. L. Hochfeld, Third street merchant, was placed on trial this morning in the federal court on a charge of having stolen and altered War Savings Stamps in his possession. The jury was chosen and opening arguments of both sides given during the morning session. Judge Bean is trying the case. Hochfeld contends that the loose stamps found in his place had not been stolen, but purchased legitimately.

Man Loses Three Fingers

Three fingers from the right hand of W. E. Fairchild, employee of the Irwin-Hodson company, Fifteenth and Gileas streets, were cut off in a paper cutting machine this morning. Fairchild was taken to St. Vincent's hospital by an Arrow ambulance.

JOSEPHINE COUNTY MINERS ANSWER EUROPEAN APPEAL

Beneath the dusty surface of the miner beats a heart as tender as that of any other human being, according to reports coming in to Frank I. Gollehur, state manager for the European Relief Council. In the hills of Josephine county in particular the men who delve into mother earth for precious metals answered the call for relief in one afternoon.

"Been out today in the hills, visiting some of the miners, and we came back well over our quota," writes Harry Sorby, in charge of the drive at Galice, in Josephine. "No one is ignoring the appeal and we'll keep up the work until everybody has had a chance to give."

Among the counties that went over the top in Thursday's reports to Gollehur were Deschutes and Union. Deschutes mailed a check for \$2800, or \$400 more than its assigned quota. Union also over-subscribed, but not quite so much as Deschutes. Hood River was represented by a check for \$1172.85, with the promise that the remainder of the quota would soon follow.

The closing feature of the women's committee of the European Relief Council's campaign for funds will be the Elks demonstration tonight. The drill team and crack drum corps will parade the streets, soliciting funds from New Year's eve revellers. George A. Branderberg, Joe Mauck and John B. Hibbard are in charge of the work and are assisted by many prominent Elks of the city.

Generous contributions are being received daily from the various churches, including the First Church of Christ Scientist; Bethany Danish-Lutheran, St. Michael and All Angels. The little children of Trinity Sunday school sent in \$500. Totals to Wednesday night have netted \$7500.

Market Editor Is Mistaken for Suave And Talkative Thief

"Stop!"

The word came loudly from a roughly dressed man who suddenly emerged from the darkness at the intersection of East Sixth street and Sandy at 5:35 Friday morning.

A flashlight suddenly opened up. Another flashlight suddenly popped into view. Hyman H. Cohen, market editor of The Journal, was driving his automobile when he was given the command to halt. Visions of holdup men bewildered his mind.

The strangers came forward cautiously. One of them peered into the automobile. "It's all right, brother," he explained. "You can drive on. We are looking for the polite burglar."

Terminal Factors Will Be Discussed

At a meeting in the Chamber of Commerce this afternoon representatives of the public service commission, city and the Great Northern and S. P. & S. arranged to have their respective engineers study the terminal situation here with a view to laying the facts before the interstate commerce commission hearing January 14 in Portland. The engineer findings will be reviewed by a committee consisting of Assistant Attorney General J. O. Bailey, City Attorney W. P. La Roche and Judge C. H. Carey for the railroad next Monday.

Referendum on Taxation

On the general subject of taxation the United States Chamber of Commerce has submitted a referendum to its constituent organizations. The referendum having been received this morning by the State Chamber of Commerce. The referendum treats under 15 heads the various phases of taxation and the opinion of member organizations on each subject.

Mrs. Gladys Mihnos

Funeral services for Mrs. Gladys Mihnos, who died at her home, 297 East Twenty-third street, December 28, were held at the Finley parlors Thursday afternoon. The Rev. Harold L. Bowman, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, conducted the services. Interment was at Riverview cemetery. Mrs. Mihnos is survived by her husband, Dr. Frank Mihnos; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Sauvain, and one sister, Zelma Mihnos, of Portland.

Charles F. Perrault

The funeral services of Charles F. Perrault, aged 52, who died at his home, 1504 East Seventh street north, December 26, were held at the Finley chapel Thursday at 2:30 p. m. Perrault is survived by his widow, Mrs. Tillie Perrault, one brother and two sisters. The body was interred at Riverview cemetery.

U. S. Navy Refuses Applicant Who Had Committed Robbery

Charged with larceny by District Attorney A. J. Moore of Bend and paroled on condition that he enlist in the navy, R. A. Ferguson presented himself at the Portland office this morning, only to be refused. Ferguson was arrested after robbing a cigar store in Bend and was originally charged with burglary.

"The navy has no place for men of that ilk," Lieutenant Commander F. K. Elder, commanding officer of the local office, said. "For there is nothing worse aboard a ship than a thief that preys on his shipmates. The practice of magistrates sentencing men to serve in the navy is one the navy department looks on with disfavor, and no man so sentenced will be signed on, for the morals of the navy are such that men undesirable to civilian authorities are more so to us. We simply will not take them, and no judge has the right or authority to give a man such a parole."

Clara Hamon Is in Ardmore Hospital

Ardmore, Okla., Dec. 31.—(I. N. S.)—Her health broken by her sensational experiences on her flight into Mexico and subsequent surrender on a charge of slaying Lake L. Hamon, Oklahoma multimillionaire, Clara Smith Hamon today was a patient in a local sanatorium.

1925 Fair Indorsed

The City club has luncheon at the Benson hotel at noon today passed a resolution indorsing unanimously the 1925 exposition.

City to Pay \$16,000 For Playground for Laurelhurst Section

Laurelhurst playgrounds, used by the city for the past five years without rental, will be purchased by the city or taken under condemnation proceedings at a fixed price of \$16,000. Commissioner of Finance Pier was authorized by the city council Wednesday to close the use of the playgrounds.

The tract, which occupies six lots, was formerly assessed above the purchase price and less than two years ago was offered to the city for \$35,500. Street improvement to the amount of \$4000 will be paid out of the \$16,000 received for the tract, the commissioner stated. The city does not anticipate having to condemn the property but expects to buy it outright at the price stipulated by the council.

HEATING SERVICE RATES INCREASE CASE SUBMITTED

The public service commission concluded its hearing this forenoon on the application of the Northwestern Electric company for an increase in rates for its heating service. The matter is now under advisement. The increase asked for would be \$184,778.29 over present annual income.

C. J. Green, chief engineer for the commission, presented an exhibit showing that under actual operating conditions of 1920, and allowing for \$9,260.54 increase in fuel costs only, there would be a deficit of \$40,192.75, and that if the proposed rate increase were adopted, the deficit would be reduced to an income of \$144,585.54. Cross-examination developed that this increase would result in increased taxation and a corresponding decrease in the estimated revenues.

Professor W. H. Martin of the Oregon Agricultural college presented an analysis of methods of operation and quality of heat service delivered. The significant fact developed was that the variations of temperature in the rooms did not exceed the allowable error in accuracy in meters recording the service.

I. H. Sherwood, a consulting engineer of Portland, made additional analysis of the operating conditions and allocation of fixed investment assignable to the steam heat service. He showed the total of fixed capital items to be \$1,422,112, as shown at the beginning of 1920 and in addition was shown that approximately \$100,000 has been expended during the year. He introduced a study showing that the electric situation of the city is not as favorable as the most economical substitute would have used \$7.7 per cent of the entire amount of fuel oil consumed.

Peter Roth's Body Arrives; Will Get Military Funeral

The body of Peter Roth, 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Roth of 5731 Eighty-seventh street southeast, who was killed by a German military policeman in the city of Berlin, arrived in Portland Thursday evening. Arrangements have been made for a military funeral at the Finley parlors in Lents at 9 o'clock Monday morning. Roth enlisted in the United States army April 29, 1918, and was sent overseas immediately with the first provisional guard. On October 17, 1920, he acted as interpreter for his commander, and upon retiring to his quarters in Coblentz after the day's work, found a German police officer. Roth was shot and he died November 3. He is survived by his father, mother, three brothers, John, George, and Nicholas, and one sister, Emma Teresa.

**BUDAPEST UNDER
STATE OF SIEGE**

Berlin, Dec. 31.—(I. N. S.)—A state of siege has been proclaimed at Budapest as a result of the revolutionary situation, according to a report received today by the communist newspaper, Freiheit.

There have been rumblings of unrest at Budapest for some time. Following the overthrow of the communist regime Bela Kun, the Red dictator, was arrested and confined in prison at Vienna, but was subsequently sent to Russia, where he is living at the present time. A agency was proclaimed in Hungary following the downfall of the communist administration with Admiral Horthy as head of the state.

Alleged Offender Freed; Advised to Resume Scrubbing

James W. Fuson, master of psychology, first class mopper, graduate floor swabber, faced Municipal Judge Rossman this morning to answer to a charge of vagrancy.

Fuson explained that he was not a vagrant because he had earned \$1.25 several days ago putting in wood and that he was steadily employed in the navy. A script of his treatise on applied psychology. When asked why he gave up his "position" as floor swabber at the Multnomah hotel, Fuson said he was "canned" because the mop was too short.

He was arrested by Patrolman Tim Healy after merchants in the city market complained that following every visit of Fuson various articles would be missing from the stalls.

The court discharged him, with a warning to keep away from the market and a suggestion that he go back to scrubbing.

St. Charles Hotel Company Plans to Remodel Structure

The St. Charles Hotel company has filed application with the city building bureau for a permit to remodel the hotel at First and Morrison streets at an approximate cost of \$50,000. The hotel will be remodeled from and including the second story up and will be thoroughly modernized strictly in accordance with the city's building code, according to the plans submitted by the architect.

The remodeling of that hostelry is primarily to comply with the building code's requirements of proper fire protection, the ventilation of all rooms and compliance with sanitary regulations, it was announced at the building bureau.

STATE'S CHARITIES DECLARED CHAOTIC; SUDREY IS ADVISED

Salem, Dec. 31.—The commission on state charity coordination filed its report here Friday with Governor Olcott. Speaking of the "chaos in which the work of public, not to mention private, charitable administration has fallen," the commission of which Richard W. Montague of Portland is chairman, recommends:

"That the social work department of the University of Oregon be invested by statute with the necessary power to make inquiry into both the sources and objects of public charitable expenditure in the state of Oregon, to conduct an exhaustive study on the law and practice of public charity in Oregon during the next two years and to submit the results of the same with recommendations to the legislature of 1923; meanwhile to communicate its findings of fact, with such comments as it may deem proper, rapidly as they are made, to the governor for use by all the various charitable agencies of the state."

WOULD DRAFT BILL

The commission offers to draft a bill for enactment by the coming legislature if its recommendations meet the governor's approval.

There is a "crying need" for the work outlined, the report avers. Confusion even in the legislature is pointed out. Two instances are given:

"The legislature of 1919 appropriated considerably in excess of \$2,000,000 for charitable and allied purposes for the year now about to end. The special session of 1920 found it necessary to appropriate some \$200,000 more for like, largely for the identical objects, and the legislature of 1919 had already made appropriations.

"The legislature of 1919 included in one of its general acts a measure for the relief of homeless children, foundlings and indigent orphans, and sections 5472 and 5473 of the new code, entirely ignoring the fact that there was already on the statute books an act substantially identical in terms and now appearing as sections 5477 and 5478 of the Oregon law.

LEGISLATURE OVERTAKEN

"These do not constitute and are not intended to constitute the least reflection upon the legislature. A body as outrageously overworked as a session of the Oregon legislative assembly cannot possibly collate all laws of all the previous sessions on every subject on which bills are presented to it.

In the charge of larceny, "Jane Doe" Gisey, whose true given name is unknown, was indicted on the charge of larceny of silverware and clothing to the value of \$325, the property of Mrs. L. T. Newton. Louis Thompson was indicted on the charge of polygamy and James A. McLarty was indicted on the charge of larceny.

\$10,000 Damages Asked

Lena E. Walsh filed suit against the Portland Railway, Light & Power company Thursday for \$10,000 damages for personal injuries which, she says, are permanent. She says that July 12 of this year while riding in an automobile with her husband on East Nineteenth street near Broadway, their car was struck by a streetcar and her personal injuries resulted.

Divorce, Mill

Divorce suits filed: Frank D. Nitkey against Ruth D. Nitkey, cruelty; David J. Jordan against Edna M. Jordan, cruelty; Gladys A. Clark against George S. Clark, cruelty.

Typos Get Same Pay At Vancouver, B. C.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 31.—Local arbitration on the wage scale for typographical union workers on Vancouver papers has been concluded, with the award of the same wage scale as now prevails, \$40.50 for day work and \$44.15 a week for night work for a 46-hour week. The old contract expires today.

COUNTY BUDGET IS ADOPTED, FESTIVAL FUND IS REFUSED

After a public hearing on the tentative budget for Multnomah county for 1921, held in one of the court rooms this forenoon, at which renewed but vain pleas were made for the Rose Festival, the county fair, the paving of the St. Johns river road and an increase in the fund for public welfare work, the commissioners formally adopted the tentative budget as the budget for 1921.

The total budget, including bond debt and interest, is \$2,726,529.88, the largest items in which are: Bridges and ferries, including rental for the Steel bridge, \$490,670.63; new county hospital, \$450,000; road bonds, \$178,125; roads, \$531,000. Receipts from other sources are estimated at \$1,051,525.

At the public hearing prior to the adoption of the budget strong pleas for the paving of the St. Johns river road were made by A. C. Callan, president of the Pacific International company; W. D. B. Dodson of the Chamber of Commerce; F. C. Knapp of the dock commission and Phil Metcalf of the Port of Portland commission. Numerous business men spoke on behalf of a \$25,000 appropriation for the Rose Festival and Secretary Lewis of the Multnomah county fair urged aid on its behalf, while Ben Selling spoke for a \$75,000 appropriation for public welfare work.

SIX TRUE BILLS AND FOUR SECRET INDICTMENTS FOUND

The Multnomah county grand jury reported to Presiding Judge Tawell Thursday six true bills, four secret indictments and eight not true bills.

James La France was indicted twice, once on the charge of forgery and once on the charge of larceny. "Jane Doe" Gisey, whose true given name is unknown, was indicted on the charge of larceny of silverware and clothing to the value of \$325, the property of Mrs. L. T. Newton. Louis Thompson was indicted on the charge of polygamy and James A. McLarty was indicted on the charge of larceny.

Harriet D. Noyes Is Assigned Duty With Army Nurse Corps

Miss Harriet Decker Noyes, daughter of the Rev. H. A. Noyes of Hephzibah who was recently graduated from the Army School of Nursing at the Walter Reed hospital, near Baltimore, Md., has been appointed to the army nurse corps with the relative rank of second lieutenant, according to word received from the adjutant general's office of the Portland recruiting office.

Miss Noyes is the first graduate of the army school admitted to the corps. She is a graduate of Lawrence college and has had training at the Children's hospital, Washington, D. C.; Peter Bent Brigham hospital, Boston, and the Lying-in hospital at New York. For the present Miss Noyes will be assigned to the Walter Reed hospital for duty.

Datur Will Filed

The will of William Henry Harrison Dufur, who died several days ago after a long career in public offices in Oregon, was filed for probate Friday morning. It names Mary L. Dufur, the widow, and Arabella Staats, a sister, as executrices. The heirs are the widow and Andrew Burnham Dufur, a son, and Blanche Dufur Greer, a daughter. The estate is estimated at approximately \$20,000.

Mills Will Reopen With Pay Reduction Totaling One-Fifth

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 31.—(I. N. S.)—When the lumber mills of the Pacific Northwest resume operations wage cuts of 20 per cent will be made, according to an announcement here today by the West Coast Lumbermen's association.

The Tacoma branch of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen issued a statement that, effective January 1, wage reductions of 15 to 25 per cent would be expected. This announcement declared the reduction will affect 60,000 men. Both employers and employees were represented in recent conferences at which the reduced scale was adopted. The new scale provides a minimum wage of \$3.50 a day for common labor.

Practically all mills in the Northwest are closed, but some tidewater plants will reopen Monday. Eighty thousand lumbermen and loggers are idle.

PENROSE AGAINST OMNIBUS TARIFF

By Bart C. Campbell

Washington, Dec. 31.—(I. N. S.)—Renewed and strengthened opposition to the omnibus tariff bill was seen today in the return to Washington of Senator Boies Penrose of Pennsylvania.

Before his arrival last night, Penrose communicated to several of his Republican colleagues his opinion that the bill is "ill-advised" and "emotional."

Even though he is not yet a well man, he can, from the suite of rooms he is occupying at the Wardman Park Inn, do much as chairman of the senate finance committee to influence the course the bill takes in the senate, it is conceded by Democratic and Republican senators alike.

Penrose, as chairman, is expected to supplant actively Senator McCumber of North Dakota, who has been acting chairman in Penrose's absence, in presiding over meetings of the committee. McCumber is a supporter of the bill.

Auto License Rule Will Be Enforced

Stage, taxicab, and for hire automobile drivers operate in the city without a 1921 city license New Year's day and thereafter will be apprehended by the police department. Auto Bus inspector Ray Gill announced today. While there are 265 public motor vehicles operating in the city only 38 licenses had been obtained Thursday night.

Marriage Licenses

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 31.—Marriage licenses were issued Thursday to Antti Mattson, 37, and Lela Tiron, 40, Portland; Earl Doone, 26, Mount Rainier, Or., and Vada Milsted, 18, White Salmon, Wash.; Alexander Siren, 23, and Hazel Carter, 18, Devil, Or.; James Logan, 36, and W. Campbell, 31, Portland; Samuel Salles, 44, and Edith Peterson, 33, Portland; George Baston, legal, Portland, and Margaret Wagner, legal, Toronto, Canada; William Jamison, 25, and Lily Maisten, 21, Vancouver; Herbert Donnan, 27, Carson, Wash., and Grace Hart, 20, Portland; George Buchanan, 28, Portland, and Lillian Carlson, 23, Oregon City; Norman Margan, Mare Island, Calif., and Zaza Salk, Olympia, Wash.

1920—A Wonderful Year Gives Way to 1921— A Year of Still Greater Promise

—Today brings to a close the most successful year this Store has ever had. All former records were left far behind—1919, a year of excellent business, was easily surpassed, the growth being phenomenal. Naturally we derive an entitled amount of pride out of this splendid showing, although in announcing this fact we do it as a matter of interest to the thousands of good friends who have been responsible for it.

—The New Year promises even greater, broader things. We will continue to strive for the Store's betterment in order to make it more worthy of the public's interest and patronage.

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