

LEGION MEMBERS CHARGE NO LAND PROVIDED THEM

Olympia, Wash., Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—That the state reclamation board has failed to provide land for a single ex-service man in Washington, although given ample funds and legislative authorization to do so, is the charge made today by the American Legion through its land settlement committee, of which Jay Morrison of Tonasket is chairman.

"Not an ex-service man has been placed upon land in Washington by the state reclamation board in the 13 months it has been in existence, although the board has \$150,000 for that purpose," says the land settlement committee of the American Legion in its report to its state commander, Thomas Swall.

Books and documents of the defunct Scandinavian-American bank of Tacoma will be investigated by a joint legislative committee, according to the terms of a resolution introduced today by Senator A. V. Pavcett of Pierce county.

The bill was referred to the banking committee, after a motion to place it on final passage had failed.

That the books of the state bank examiner be investigated was an important provision in the bill, legislators looking upon the provision as the opening wedge for a sweeping legislative investigation into the affairs of the office of the state bank examiner.

PROVIDES ASSISTANT JUDGE
An assistant police judge in cities of the first class is provided in a bill introduced today by Representative R. A. Triple of Seattle. The assistant judge is to be named by the mayor from among the practicing attorneys, and to serve at a salary of \$15 a day whenever the police judge shall require his assistance or when he is absent.

The governor's administrative code is scheduled for passage this afternoon when it comes up as a special order of business. It will be transmitted to the senate immediately and the probability is that it will become a law next week, as it carries an emergency clause, so that there can be no referendum by the people upon it. It is to take effect April 1.

FOR WAR MEMORIALS
Spokane and Pierce counties will secure law libraries, according to the terms of a bill which was passed by the

senate today. The bill provides that all counties with a population of more than 125,000 should have a law library.

Cities and counties of the state are granted the right to donate land and funds to be used for the erection of war memorials, by a bill introduced today by Senator Fred W. Hastings of Seattle and referred to the military committee.

Mrs. L. J. Simpson Ill in San Francisco; Condition Critical

San Francisco, Jan. 20.—Mrs. Louis J. Simpson of Marshfield, Or., who was seized with a severe heart attack several weeks ago, and has since been confined at the Stanford hospital here, was reported to be slightly improved today by her husband, Louis Simpson. The condition of Mrs. Simpson was so critical during Saturday and Sunday that attending physicians gave up all hope, but the patient rallied on Monday and the specialists now announce that there is an even chance for recovery.

MARSHFIELD DAUGHTER GOES TO SAN FRANCISCO

Marshfield, Or., Jan. 20.—Mrs. L. J. Simpson, wife of the well-known Coos Bay citizen and former candidate for governor of Oregon, is seriously ill at San Francisco. A week ago Mrs. Simpson was taken in the private car of General Passenger Agent John M. Scott to San Francisco and on arriving there is reported to have grown worse. Her daughter, Mrs. I. R. Tower of this city, has been called to San Francisco.

Judge Apperson New Head of Relief Drive

Ridgefield, Wash., Jan. 20.—Judge H. B. Apperson of Ridgefield has been appointed chairman of a committee for the European relief fund for this part of western Clarke county. Other members of the local committee are Fred Herbert, Walter Lentz and Mayor N. C. Hall. The Ridgefield State bank has been named depository for the relief fund. Ridgefield's quota is \$400.

S. P. Property Inspected
E. O. McCormick, vice president in charge of development of the Southern Pacific railway system, accompanied by John M. Scott, general passenger agent of the Oregon lines of the S. P., spent Wednesday in the inspection of facilities of the company at Roseburg, Salem and Corvallis. Scott returned to Portland this morning. McCormick returned to California.

BILL ENCOURAGES AIRCRAFT TRAFFIC

State House, Salem, Or., Jan. 20.—Issuance of franchises for airplane companies carrying passengers or freight, thus creating a new source of revenue for the state, and the certification of aviators by a state board of aircraft examiners, are contemplated in legislation proposed by Representative Franklin F. Korell of Multnomah county.

The first of these bills was introduced in the house by Korell Wednesday. It provides for the creation, by appointment of the governor, of an Oregon state board of aircraft examiners and regulates flying and aviators.

The board is to be composed of five aviators resident of Oregon for at least a year prior to the passage of this act, and at least three of whom shall have been commissioned, warranted or appointed as pilots either in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States.

The board will have power to examine applicants and issue certificates to aviators, but it shall be unlawful for any person to operate or fly an aircraft without such certification. The fee is placed at \$25.

The commissioners are to receive no salaries, but will receive compensation for traveling expenses and hotel bills in the performance of their duties.

A companion bill providing for the issuance of franchises for airplane companies is also being introduced by Korell within a few days, he states.

FUNDS ASKED ARE SUBJECT TO SCRUTINY

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ated two years ago. This is accounted for in part through the fact that the Portland Chamber of Commerce wants to get out from under the load, and is entirely on the state, and again through increases in expenses incident to the maintenance of the exhibit and especially in the matter of rent which represent almost one half of the entire expense of the exhibit.

The child welfare commission sprang a surprise on the committee late Wednesday in the matter of requesting an appropriation of \$20,000 for the biennium, this being just twice the sum set in its budget estimate for the two-year periods.

The increase in its estimate, it was explained, was due to pending legislation, which, if enacted, would greatly enlarge the powers of the commission and extend the scope of its duties, necessitating a larger organization and consequent increased expense.

CENTRAL CHILD BUREAU
Included in this legislation, it was explained by W. D. Wheelwright, chairman of the commission, is a measure centralizing the child placing functions of the numerous child welfare societies in the state in some central organization under expert supervision. Other legislation will throw additional safeguards around the foster child, which still another bill deals with feeble minded children.

Representative Lee appeared before the committee in behalf of his house bill No. 1, creating a commissioner of publicity and appropriating \$30,000 for state publicity purposes.

No other meetings of the committee will be held until Monday night when it was stated the real grind would begin. In the meantime sub-committees will visit all the state institutions for a first-hand study of the conditions. Senators Bell and Eberhard and Representative Kay will visit the old soldiers' home at Roseburg and a committee of three is to be named today to visit the Eastern Oregon state hospital at Pendleton.

**TEACHER TO RENEW
FIGHT FOR POSITION**
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where the Girls' Polytechnic now stands. When the boys' trade school was removed from the old Atkinson building to Benson Polytechnic and the rooms in the old Lowndale were occupied by the transfer of many pupils to Atkinson, the girls' trade school was started.

Mrs. Alexander was made principal. She was later demoted by Superintendent Alderman, being made a history teacher at Washington high school. Later she was discharged on the grounds of irregularity in accounts. An appeal was made, which Judge Gatens upheld. The case was referred to the supreme court, and settlement was effected by the board paying Mrs. Alexander \$2800 and placing her as principal of the Woodmere school.

Two vice principals will also be elected this afternoon. Groat is recommending Norman Thorpe, head of the chemistry department for Lincoln high school, and I. A. Melendy, head of the English department, for Franklin high school.

Prisoner Whispers Too Loud; He Must Serve Out His Term

Seattle, Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—When Charles Brown alias Avori, charged with grand larceny, whispered to a fellow prisoner that escape might be easy because he had "done it before," he paved the way for completion of 14 years' incarceration in the Oregon penitentiary for himself.

Brown was overheard by one of the sheriff's deputies, who looked up the man's record and discovering he was an ex-convict from Salem, Or., notified the Oregon authorities.

Brown was taken back to Oregon this morning by an agent of the governor of that state.

**R. H. Stanfield Is
Visiting Sacramento**
Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—R. H. Stanfield, United States senator-elect from Oregon, is spending several days here with Jack Lorentzin, business partner.

Indictment Dismissed
A grand jury indictment charging Nicholas Weber with violation of the internal revenue laws was dismissed this morning by Federal Judge Bean at the request of Assistant United States Attorney Flegel, as the defendant died after the indictment was returned.

Festival Tax Bill Runs Against Snag At House Session

State House, Salem, Jan. 20.—The plan to provide for an obligatory assessment of fifteen one-hundredths of one mill on each dollar of assessed valuation in counties of 75,000 population for the maintenance of an annual rodeo festival received opposition on the floor of the house today, when house bill No. 12 was recommended back by the revision of laws committee with a majority recommendation that it do not pass.

Representative Woodson of Morrow and Umatilla counties led the objectors, urging that while it was intended for only Multnomah county, other counties would soon reach the required population, and he opposed the principle of making a tax levy compulsory instead of discretionary on any county.

Representative Kay of Multnomah wanted the population limit raised to 150,000, and on motion of Gordon of Multnomah bill was referred to a special committee of the Multnomah delegation in the house.

Wholesale Raids Made on Centers Of Sinn Feiners

London, Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—"Important documents" were received in a raid on Sinn Fein centers throughout London early today. Scotland Yard announced a search had been made for arms and ammunition, but none was reported.

No arrests were made.

The raid was one of the most extensive in recent months and was reported to have been determined upon after rumors of a widespread plot of property destruction had arisen.

Police and secret service visited homes and meeting places in Bayswater, Barnsbury, Paddington, Stepney, Eastham and Hanwell.

Spokane Broker Who Had Suicide Pact Gives \$30,000 Bond

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 20.—Jay E. Hough, confessed forger of \$35,000 bonds, partner in the suicide pact causing the death of his broker-martin, John Milholland, January 8, was released from jail yesterday on a \$30,000 bond. His father-in-law and brother-in-law posted the bond. Mrs. Milholland left yesterday for Pittsburgh to make her home with Milholland's mother.

Stubborn House Fire Flares Second Time

Albany, Or., Jan. 20.—While the owner was watching to prevent further outbreak of flames, the home of Clarence Coon at Albany today was burned Wednesday. Tuesday evening the department was called to extinguish a stubborn fire at the Coon home. Fearful that the fire might still be smoldering in a wall near the chimney, Coon established a vigil. A passer-by saw the roof burning and gave the second alarm.

President Will Fill War Board Vacancies

Washington, Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—President Wilson will fill the two vacancies on the directorate of the war finance corporation very shortly. Secretary of the Treasury Houston stated late today. The names of several Republicans have been sent to the president as possibilities for the position, the secretary said. Several persons have refused to take the appointment, it was learned.

Cottage Grove to Have Campmeeting

Cottage Grove, Or., Jan. 20.—Cottage Grove will have a camp meeting next summer, from August 4-14. Tents will be put in the city park for campers, water will be furnished free of charge, the entire grounds will be lighted by electricity, and the large assembly tent will be pitched in the grove across the street from the city park. It will be known as the Methodist campmeeting of Cottage Grove.

Woman Is Sentenced For Slaying Husband

Oakland, Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—Virginia Clark, convicted of the murder of her husband, Chester Clark, on August 15, was today sentenced to serve from 10 years to life in San Quentin. Defense attorneys announced they would file an appeal.

Centralla Host to Pike
Centralla, Jan. 20.—Nelson G. Pike of Portland, district governor for the twenty-second district of the International Association of Rotary clubs, was the guest of the Centralla club at luncheon Tuesday noon. A number of members of the new Rotary club of Chehalis were present.

COST-PLUS PLAN IS HELD BIG EVIL IN RAIL CONTRACT

Washington, Jan. 20.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)—The cost plus contract, so much condemned when used by the war department and shipping board during the war, is now alleged to be operating as a booster of railroad expenses. Charges have been made in congress that it is being used extensively by some of the railroad executives to feather their own nests through contracts for repairs or construction in favor of companies in which they are themselves interested.

Figures were produced to show that 20 roads, among them three of the largest, the Pennsylvania, New York Central and the Northwestern, are letting contracts for repairs to locomotives and cars to outside corporations, and in many cases the corporations have recently been formed to lease the shops formerly operated by the railroads themselves, with officers of the railroads largely interested in the shop operating corporations.

CONTRACTS WITH SELVES
By this arrangement the railroad men virtually make cost plus contracts with themselves, the work being done in the same shops where it always has been done, but at enormously increased cost. This cost is reflected back in decreased earnings, but under the transportation act the earnings in each railroad group are guaranteed to 5% per cent, with an additional 1 per cent when deemed necessary for improvements, and the interstate commerce commission must allow rates which will earn this much.

It is asserted that locomotive repairs formerly costing \$5,000, when done by a railroad in its own shop, have grown to \$15,000 and \$17,000 when done under cost plus contracts with shop-operating corporations, in which there is a maze of interlocking directorates, which are in turn interlocked with certain banks and railroad officials. It is estimated that repair costs of all the railroads in a year amount to half a billion dollars.

MUCH WASTE ALLEGED
Congressman Huddleston of Alabama asserts that at least \$100,000,000 has been added in unnecessary costs, and added in on the rates which must be collected. He complains that while the railroads have been granted a liberal return, the cost of operation are not supervised to prevent waste through excessive costs and salaries.

Huddleston, who has not been very friendly to the president because the president advised his defeat on war issues in 1918, warmly commended the president for vetoing the bill which proposed to suspend for another year the operation of section 10 of the Clayton anti-trust act, which forbids railroad companies from having business dealings amounting to more than \$30,000 with other companies in which officers of the railroads are interested, unless contracts are awarded as the result of competitive bidding.

WOULD PREVENT PRACTICE
Enforcement of this law will prevent practices in which railroad heads are said to be indulging, as the companies in which they are interested will have to compete with others for repair contracts. In consequence of the presidential veto the law went into force on January 1. The president expressed the opinion that war time suspensions in such matters should cease. The interstate commerce commission is said to have been divided on the subject, six favoring further suspension and four opposing.

**DISCRIMINATORY RATES NOT
TO APPLY ON EXPORT GOODS**
Washington, Jan. 20.—The interstate commerce commission has announced that whenever section 28 of the Jones act is put into effect it will not be applied to a shipment in transit by rail, so if imports have completed their ocean voyage or goods for export have been delivered to the rail carrier, the discriminatory rail rates will not be assessed.

This announcement nullifies a statement by Chairman Benson of the shipping board a short time ago that shipments could only be safe from this time forward by shipping entirely in American bottoms, because section 28 might be applied without notice and penalize the shipper.

The interstate commerce commission and the shipping board concur in the new announcement, which follows the principle that a rate shall not be changed while a shipment is in transit.

City Commissioner Lobbying for Home

Commissioner John M. Mann, who went to Salem Tuesday night in the interest of legislation providing state support of The Cedars, Portland's detention home for women, will probably remain in Salem over Friday, it was announced from his office at the city hall this morning. Mann has the endorsement of the Multnomah delegation and is visiting the state capital daily in an effort to convince the legislators of the importance of The Cedars as a state institution.

Linn Pioneers Pick Memorial Officers; Monument Planned

Albany, Or., Jan. 20.—Organization was perfected and officers and trustees elected by the Linn County Pioneer Memorial association Wednesday. The officers are: A. M. Templeton, president; W. C. Cooley, secretary, and Harry Thompson, treasurer, all of Brownville; vice presidents, Claude Pennington of La Grande, George McKnight of Vale, Jefferson Myers of Portland, W. T. Cochran of Ashland, Henry Gray, Crook of Prineville, J. M. Smith of Bend, A. L. Kirk of Brownsville and W. R. Bishop of Salem. Link Kirk, Henry Blakey, Milton A. Miller and W. R. Bishop were named trustees.

A membership fee of \$10, part to be used for a monument to the pioneers of Linn county at Brownville, designated as the original pioneer Linn county center. It was decided to complete a list of all living pioneers eligible to membership. Settlement in Linn county up to January 1, 1870, was adopted as a requisite. B. F. Irvine of Portland, editor of The Journal, is among those who conform to this requirement, it is said.

Dr. Jules Franje, retired Portland business man, has accepted a position at Albany college as instructor of French, replacing Mrs. Robert Stewart, who, with her husband, is moving to Montana. Dr. Franje is a graduate of Tulane university.

Postmaster C. H. Stewart has issued a statement that all entrances to the Albany office will hereafter be closed after 8 o'clock each evening. The order came from the postoffice department.

Starts to Serve Sentence
Early this afternoon Deputy United States Marshal S. F. Pace started for McNellis island with Robert Logan as a prisoner. Logan was convicted of perjury in connection with the Zella Becker homestead contest claim, and sentenced to 15 months.

Vancouver Wins Point in Fight on Gas Rate Increase

Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 20.—Vancouver's first victory in the fight against an increase in gas rates was gained Wednesday when it was announced by E. M. Cousin that the hearing to be held here January 26 has been postponed.

Cousin, who was hired by the city to investigate the rates, returned Tuesday from Olympia where he spent several days conferring with the gas commission and examining records of the gas company.

Bill Is Aimed at Infected Persons

State House, Salem, Or., Jan. 20.—A bill introduced this afternoon in the house by Representative Franklin F. Korell prohibits any person afflicted with any infectious disease or with any "social disease" in a communicable form from working in any place where food or drink is prepared or offered for sale or sold. It requires persons employed in such places to submit themselves to physical examination by any local health officer whenever requested so to do.

Everything Except Breathing Is Halted

Berwick, Pa., Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—Closing of all cigar stores, ice cream parlors and prohibition of the sale of Sunday newspapers and delivery of ice cream and milk on Sunday has been ordered by the Berwick council. Police today are notifying all dealers. Arrests will follow violations.

Grand Jury Takes Up the Streetcar Scandal in Seattle

Seattle, Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—D. W. Henderson, superintendent of municipal railways, was closeted with the King county grand jury as its principal witness today in the investigation of the city's purchase of the street railways.

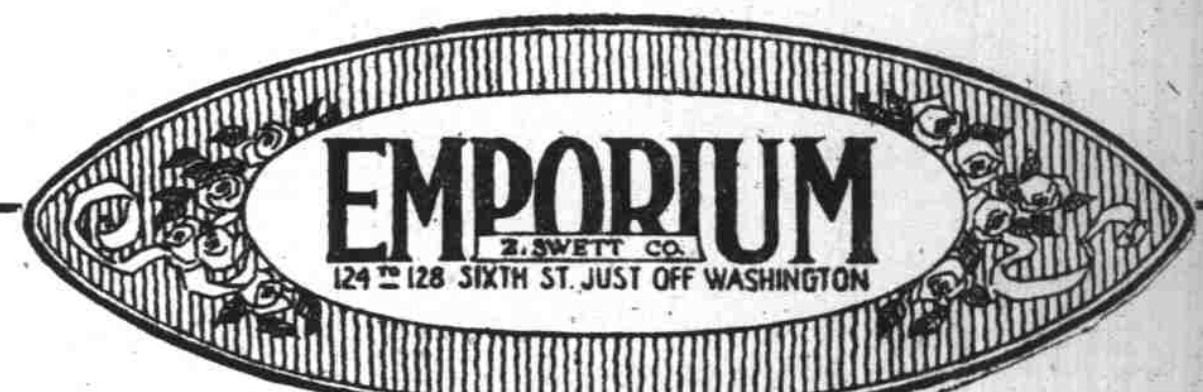
Henderson remained with the jury for two hours. He was followed by F. A. Twitchell, manager of the San Juan Fishing & Packing company, who testified about five minutes. S. H. Hiss, former United States senator and attorney in the test suit brought to determine the validity of the streetcar deal, was then called.

Henderson went into the jury room armed with many volumes and documents. He was formerly superintendent of the railways under the private administration, before the city purchased them. Both prosecuting Attorney Malcolm Douglas and Deputy T. H. Patterson assisted the jury in its investigation.

Pioneer Grocer of Powers Drops Dead

Marshfield, Jan. 20.—W. E. Mathews, pioneer grocer of Powers, dropped dead while at work in his place of business. Heart trouble was the cause. Mr. Mathews was formerly a farmer and was one of the first persons to open a store in Powers when the town was founded.

Fined for Killing Deer
Loyal Attebury of Roseburg was arrested Monday by Ed Walker, deputy game warden, near Roseburg, for killing deer out of season, and at the following trial was fined \$25, according to a report filed at the headquarters of the state game commission. The meat confiscated from Attebury was turned over to the State Soldiers' home.



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