

# SEN. MOSER FLAYS HUME FOR STAND ON TENURE BILL

### Statements Made in Address Last Monday Are Branded Untrue by Speaker Saturday Night.

Forcefully, deliberately, and absolutely unchallenged, State Senator Gus Moser and his vigilance committee descended upon the address of State Senator Wilson T. Hume, delivered before 800 teachers in Lincoln high school auditorium last Monday night. He flayed it and its author, and denied without reservation or quibble every statement made by the chief opponent of the recent teachers' tenure legislation.

He told some 800 people who had gathered to hear the denial to the Hume charges his version of the tenure law controversy, and he and his colleagues undertook to vindicate themselves before an impartial audience as "men who have the courage of their convictions and who are not afraid to stand up for that which they believe to be right."

Presided over by Judge Guy C. H. Corlies, who incidentally is chairman of the appeal commission under the old tenure law, the meeting started peacefully and ended the same way. Senator Moser held the center of the stage, and flanking him on each side sat a deputation of senators and representatives who sought as he did. Senators Isaac Staples and W. W. Banks and Representatives Herbert Gordon, K. K. Kubli, Charles C. Hindman and Barge E. Leonard were there and all spoke unchallenged, in spite of repeated invitations to the audience by Chairman Corlies. Senator Hume did not attend, nor did any of his colleagues. At least, not visibly.

Substantially, Senator Moser and his associates branded as false every statement made by Hume last Monday night, charged that in spite of his answer to Senator Moser that the tenure law would not be made a political issue, Senator Hume had already done so, and without credit to himself, and told the assembled audience that a tenure law of the sort passed by the legislature was necessary if there was to be efficiency

in the schools and proper satisfaction to the taxpayers for the money they are paying each year to support Portland's public school system.

"I never saw or spoke to A. L. Mills, either in face or by telephone, from one end of the legislature to the other," declared Moser, answering Hume's charges that the tenure fight for a new law was directed by Portland corporate interests. "It's true that I worked to pass the law, it's true that we tried to get outside senators and representatives to favor a bill supported by a majority of the Multnomah delegation, but we did not log roll and we did not work in the dark, as the Hume camp did."

**DURESS IS DENIED**  
"If the teachers paid their lobbyists, as they admit they did, something over \$4500, \$2500 of which went to Tommy Neuhausen, then they didn't get their money's worth," shouted Moser. "We lobbied—yes, we worked on the public service commission, to get them to resist the bill, and we got them on our side. As chairman of the Multnomah delegation in the senate, I had charge of the Staples bill, and the names of Senators Banks and Farrell were stricken from the adverse report, which they had signed conditionally, by their own consent and without secrecy. I had the bill and that report had not become a public document. We had perfect access to it."

Senator Moser read a letter from President Rittner, now in Pendleton, which he branded as absolutely false. Hume's charges that he, Rittner, had held a club over the heads of various senators, in order to get them to vote for the tenure bill. He also charged that Hume's efforts in behalf of the teachers was actuated by a desire to be elected circuit judge. Moser further charged that Hume had pledged to support the bill, and then had left out in the cold because he remained in Salem while the committee met in Portland, prepared amendments, composing by himself a committee of one.

**SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN**  
Representative Gordon declared that not only did the Kubli-Gordon bill not emanate from Portland corporate interests, but that he, Kubli and Senator and Mrs. Staples had discussed the bill during an automobile ride to Portland following the defeat of the Staples bill and that the new legislation which succeeded in passage was the result of that informal discussion. He suggested that other speakers concurring that Portland teachers should catch the spirit of the new tenure law and should work for better relations and closer harmony in the Portland school system, and should not shake the educational fabric by petty pickering and organized onslaughts on the school board and others who had the interests of the school children at heart.

"The schools are operated for the children and not for the teachers. To insure a life job is to do away with proper efficiency," declared the speaker.

# Talented Soloist Arrives Lauds Portland Musicians



Miss Helen Stover, who has kind words for Portland's fame in the world of music.

By Vella Winner  
"Never before have I been frightened at the thought of being interviewed, and do you know why? It's because Portland's musical standards are so high and I know personally so many really profound students of music who are Portland people," said Miss Helen Stover, brilliant young American exponent of the art of song, who arrived in Portland Saturday morning.

Miss Stover, who will be soloist at the concert of the Portland Symphony orchestra Wednesday evening, is the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar B. Piper, 717 Marshall street, whose daughter, Miss Constance Piper, she numbers among her close friends in New York.

"Not because I am in Portland nor because I am talking for a Portland newspaper am I saying this, but it is an actual fact that after a New York appearance, when I go in quest of honest, intelligent criticism, the three persons to whom I go first are Mrs. Thomas Carrick Burke, Miss Constance Piper and Mr. Howard Barlow, every one of whom hail from Portland. Now do you wonder that I am just a wee bit frightened at the thought of talking and singing for Portland people?"

**PAYS TRIBUTE**  
"While I am still talking of Portland musicians, I want to pay tribute to the memory of one of America's really great composers, and one whose work is now known and used by all the best musicians in New York—Tom Dobson. Yes, I sing his songs, too, but my memory of his own inimitable interpretations of his peculiarly delightful things is so vivid that it seems almost a sacrilege to sing them. However, his 'Yasmin' will be found on my program Wednesday evening, also another song by a Portland composer whom I do not know—Mrs. Katherine Glenn—her number being 'Twilight.'"

In answer to the query on what has been the "high light" in her professional career, Miss Stover's face lighted up and she answered instantly:

"My appearance as soloist with the Metropolitan Opera orchestra during the winter at the Hippodrome. The Hippodrome, as you may know, seats 6000 people, and when I looked out of my

# PANTAGES MAKES INITIAL PAYMENT ON 'HIP' BUILDING

### Announcement Made Additional Stories Will Be Added Soon; Loew Continues in Possession.

Immediately upon completion of a theatre building now under way for Pantages in New Orleans, work will be started on the additions to the Portland Hippodrome theatre building, which has just been purchased by Pantages at a cost of \$500,000.

As was announced exclusively in The Journal Thursday afternoon, the deal was concluded during the week, the initial payment of \$100,000 having been made Saturday afternoon with the arrival of a \$1-million note from San Francisco.

Pantages is now in Chicago, but is expected back on the coast soon to begin active supervision of the enlargement of his new property. The building at Broadway and Yamhill street is to be built up to the limit allowed in the building code and made into an office structure.

"This is being done to make it pay for an office building," explained Jack Johnson, local manager of the Pantages interests, Saturday night.

"Our architect is now finishing a theatre in New Orleans and he will be here immediately afterward to start on this building. We have been making a study of the situation for more than a year and are satisfied that the building, with its added stories, will be a successful investment. The original building was designed with strong enough foundations for added stories and the original plans are now on file in our Seattle office."

The Hippodrome is owned by Marcus Loew, and operated under the direction of Adelman & Harris. The building was erected by Conside & Sullivan at a cost practically the same as the present selling price. It was originally known as the Empress.

**Two to Answer Charges**  
Send, March 12.—Preliminary hearings for James F. Carter, charged with an offense against a 15-year-old girl, and John Bucholtz, charged with wife beating, will be held here before Justice of the Peace Olson Monday.

# Boise Chamber and Eugene Elks Back Portland 1925 Fair

The Boise Chamber of Commerce and the Eugene lodge of Elks are the most recent among the organizations which have approved the plan for the 1925 Atlantic-Pacific Highways and Electrical exposition in Portland.

"Realizing the importance of such an exposition to the entire Northwest as a medium of general publicity," the Boise resolution reads, "and it will be a wonderful opportunity of placing before the people of the world the marvelous resources of the Northwest in which we are all interested." The Boise Chamber of Commerce, through the board of directors, speaking for its more than 150 members, does approve of the holding of this proposed exposition in Portland, Or., in 1925, and that the Chamber of Commerce will gladly give any assistance it can officially in furthering the enterprise. Copies of both resolutions were received Saturday by F. E. Beaman, secretary of the exposition executive committee.

# PRESIDENT SHAPES UP, FIRST WEEK BUSY ONE

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Backward toward the cabinet room and without change of expression, and finally said: "I am afraid you will have to ask the president about that."

The vice-president momentarily forgot that about 10 minutes before the photographers were admitted in the presence of the cabinet, where the cameras took away many records of the vice-president's placid countenance at the end of the table opposite the president, that is, between the secretary of commerce and the secretary of labor.

While a very little was said about the part the vice president played in the cabinet meeting, it was later officially announced that his advice had been sought in exactly the same way as if he were the head of a government department. Vice President Sherman sat with the Taft cabinet for a while, but the practice was soon discontinued because of the relation of the vice president to the senate, over which he sits as a presiding officer and in which body he is privileged to cast a vote in a tie.

There always has been considerable relative branches of the government, and it is not altogether certain that the vice president will find it to his liking to be a part of the administrative machinery of the government on the one hand and presiding officer and member of the legislative branch of the government on the other.

The theory back of the admission of

the vice president to the cabinet meeting is that he shall be well informed in case of an emergency and be ready to take over the reins of government. The opportunity to get such a training, however, is not to be found in cabinet meetings where the discussion centers primarily in business of an administrative nature instead of general policies. Indeed, it is suggested that Mr. Coolidge may feel obliged to withdraw from such discussions as regards to legislation on which he might be compelled to cast a deciding vote.

President Harding has succeeded at the outset, however, in conveying the idea that he wants to take counsel. He is by no means set in his opinions and he has revealed already a passion for harmonious agreement both in his cabinet and in congress.

**Ingram Critically Ill**  
Cove, Or., March 12.—Alfred Ingram, who has been ill with smallpox and complications, has been taken to Hot Lake sanatorium, where he is critically ill with blood-poisoning.

# Noted Osteopath Is To Be Honor Guest Of Portland Society

Dr. Curtis W. Brigham of the bureau of education of the American Osteopathic Association will be the honor guest of the Portland Osteopathic Society Wednesday. Dr. Brigham will devote the morning to holding clinics, and at 2 p. m. will address the profession on "Differential Diagnosis."

His public lecture will be given at Library hall at 8 p. m. It is to be an illustrated lecture on "Posture—Its Relation to the Growth and Development of Children, and to Cancer in Later Life."

The Portland society will honor Dr. Brigham with a luncheon at Multnomah hotel at 12 noon.

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fault to such an extent as to warrant recall this would be accomplished much more efficiently and expeditiously. City Attorney Grant does not think much of the appeal plan, however, pointing out that there is no right of appeal from the decision of the commission except as to questions of law involved in the original hearing. He contends, therefore, that an appeal would not go to the question of rates and would not accomplish what its advocates anticipate. Should the case be opened for rehearing, however, any record pertinent to the issue, Mr. Grant says that he transmitted the notification of the commission's findings to the mayor and city council, but has not been informed whether the city authorities contemplate a petition for a rehearing.

In the meantime the Public Service Recall Committee, Inc., is grinding away at its plans to put Fred W. Williams, the hold-over commissioner, on the recall gridiron on June 7, the date of the special election, and as the constitutional six-month recall limitation has lapsed on July 2, to start petitions out after Commissioners Buchtel and Corey. A meeting of the executive committee of the recall organization was held yesterday afternoon, at which plans were discussed and a procedure outlined for immediate action against Commissioner Williams.

**MOVE TO SEVER CONNECTION WITH BELL LINES INDORSED**  
Eugene, Or., March 12.—Two hundred rural telephone users, representing all the systems of Lane county, met this afternoon in Eugene, voiced the sharpest criticism of the public service commission in authorizing an advance of rates to the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company, and, without a dissenting vote, passed a resolution declaring it to be the sense of the Lane County Telephone association that all connections with the Bell system should be cut off rather than to pay the increased tolls.

This resolution also voiced emphatic

**Robert Frink, Aged 13, Is Missing; Police Assisting in Search**

Robert Frink, a 13-year-old boy, disappeared from his home at 1210 Milwaukee street Thursday night and has not been seen since by relatives. Efforts of the Portland police to find him have not been successful. Robert was injured four years ago, and since that time his mind has not developed normally. He has a desire to work and it is believed he ran away to hunt for work. The boy is quite fleshy, has dark hair and large blue eyes. When last seen he was wearing a grey overcoat, brown cap, brown shoes with light tops, black stockings, green knickerbocker suits, blue necktie and an Elk stockpin. Information will be received by the Portland police by the mother, Mrs. Estelle Frink, or Mrs. D. F. Russell, at Sellwood 620.

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