

BEAN STANDS ON FAIR INCOME TAX BILL, OR NOTHING

Louis E. Bean, speaker of the house, who is in Portland with his promised income tax bill in his pocket ready for introduction in the house on Monday next, is against the 1925 exposition, against the submission of any financing proposition to the people, against the whole thing, lock stock and barrel, unless the show is to be financed by an income tax and no further general property tax burden be put upon the people.

Mr. Bean has his income tax bill all worked out except some minor and incidental phases of it. What it contains he is not yet ready to divulge other than it puts the entire burden of financing the exposition upon the income earners of the state. It is framed to take care of the entire cost of the fair, Portland tax, state tax, private subscription and all.

STATE TAX OPPOSED

"I am under no mandate," Speaker Bean said at the Imperial today. "I believe the exposition would be beneficial to the state as a whole, but I am not in favor of producing it at the expense of any additional property tax levied against the taxpayers of the state. I will not vote for any proposal to fix such a property tax upon the state and I will not vote to submit such a proposition to the voters of the state. I believe it would be most unwise and unfortunate for the best interests of Multnomah county and of Portland if a financing plan were to be submitted to the voters of the whole state and fastened upon the taxpayers of all the state, against the opposition of the upstate vote, by a big favorable majority in Multnomah county. Knowing the sentiment of my district as I do, I would not vote to subject them to such a situation."

FAVORS SHORT SESSION

The speaker also holds that the special session should be a short one. "I am in favor of holding the consideration of business down to the two definite propositions outlined by the governor," he said, "to the consideration of the exposition measure and the road protection question."

"Personally," he continued, "I am in favor of taking the road plan outlined by the special committee appointed by the governor and putting it into effect. It may be that the legislature may find some changes in this more to their liking, but I do not believe this is the time for continued and long drawn out public hearings and discussions. I am in favor of the legislature giving these two big subjects its best thought, and acting speedily upon its best judgment."

Mr. Bean is in Portland for the remainder of the week and will go to Salem Sunday evening or Monday morning. Roy Ritner, president of the senate, also reached Portland this morning and will remain here until Sunday afternoon or Monday morning. Other members of the senate and house are beginning to drift in from upstate. Representatives Carmer, Overturf and Woodson of Eastern Oregon, Sheldon and Carter of Jackson county, and Davey of Marion were gathered in the Imperial lobby at noon. Most of the Eastern Oregon delegation is expected to arrive tonight or tomorrow.

Cargo Vessels Best In Long Run, Says Sites to City Club

Although Portland loses in its fight to obtain allocation of combination passenger-cargo steamers, the port will gain in the end because cargo business will always be more substantial and pay better than passenger business, C. L. Sites of the China Pacific company told members of the City club at the regular luncheon of the organization at noon today.

Sites spoke on trade conditions in the Orient and told the club that Portland was doing more business in China now than any other port of the Pacific. He said that while Japan is building up its business integrity that China is losing a great amount of its reputation for integrity.

U. S. Headed for Bolshevism, Says Farmer of Union

The United States is approaching a state of Bolshevism similar to that which exists in Russia; along more subtle lines, perhaps, but with certainty. This was the gist of a statement by Walter B. Pierce, Union, Ore., to members of the Portland Realty board in luncheon today at the Multnomah hotel.

"We farmers are getting less for our wheat now than we did 27 years ago when I began farming. We are also getting less for cattle than we have for 25 years. Where we used to pay freight rate of \$60 a car we now pay \$120. In Union county we had about an \$800,000 wheat crop last year. The state taxes on the land on which we raised this wheat amounted to \$212,000."

Policeman Robbed On Way to Dance

Denver, Colo., Dec. 16.—(I. N. S.)—Patrolman William Trenbeth left his uniform, gun and club at home last night when he escorted Miss Mary Snyder to a dance. Automobile bandits robbed the couple of \$96.

Hardings to Enjoy Christmas in Capital

Washington, Dec. 16.—(I. N. S.)—President and Mrs. Harding will spend the Christmas holidays in Washington. It was announced at the White House late today.

PASTOR HURRYING HERE

Dr. B. Earle Parker, new pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church, hopes to be able to reach Portland in time to conduct the Sunday service on January 1, according to information received here today from him. Dr. Parker said: "We expect to move immediately after Christmas and I hope in time to take up my duties in Portland Sunday, January 1."

TWO POLICEMEN HAVE GAY TIME; BOTH SUSPENDED

While most of Portland slept Thursday night two east side motorcycle policemen—H. L. Stanton and Guy Slimkins—made merry with liquor. Today they were suspended, pending action by the police efficiency board.

At a hearing conducted by Mayor Baker, Municipal Judge Rossman, Chief of Police Jenkins and Captain John T. Moore, it was ascertained from Inspector C. H. Tichenor, who investigated the absence from duty, that the patrolmen had been given liquor when they went to investigate a report of a disturbance at 267 East Forty-sixth street.

Subsequent to their dispatch to the scene, they telephoned to east side headquarters that nothing more violent than a wedding party was under way. Then nothing more was heard from them for two hours. Inspector Tichenor was sent to investigate at 2 o'clock this morning. Tichenor reported that the patrolmen were just getting their motorcycle started when he arrived. From their breaths, he said he diagnosed the cause of their delay. Tichenor said he had encountered Dr. C. M. Gardner, assistant state veterinarian, at the party, who had explained how the policemen obtained the liquor.

CITY COUNCIL INSPECTS EAST SIDE PLAYGROUNDS

At the request of C. P. Keyser, superintendent of parks, the city council today visited the playground at East Thirty-ninth and Oak streets to decide whether the city will purchase the plot or allow it to revert to its owner, L. J. Bader. The ground involved is a half block adjoining the half not owned by the city. It has been used as a playground for several years on the condition that the city would vacate when the owners wished to use it for other purposes. Bader recently informed the city that it was desired the city vacate by January 1.

MAYOR, POLICE CHIEF AND SHERIFF PLAN COOPERATION

Cooperation between the city police force and the sheriff's office was discussed at a conference Thursday in the mayor's office between the mayor, Sheriff Tom Hurlburt and Chief of Police L. V. Jenkins. Prevention of duplication by overlapping jurisdiction was considered. One of the features of the meeting was the discussion of the relation of violation of the prohibition act to other law violation, all agreeing the two were correlated.

SPANISH VETS' DANCE

Scout Young camp, Spanish-American War veterans, will hold its annual dance in Cottillon hall tonight. Captain L. A. Harms, chairman of the committee in charge, has had his committee men working overtime getting ready for the affair. Dancing will commence at 8:30 o'clock.

DIPHTHERIA INCREASES

Records in the city health office show a slight increase in the number of diphtheria cases in the city and that smallpox and scarlet fever were remaining "normal." The count showed 103 diphtheria cases, 21 cases of smallpox and scarlet fever each.

Junior High Gets Attendance Honor

Hoquiam, Wash., Dec. 16.—The junior high school, with a record of 98.4 per cent, has won the Hoquiam school attendance competition for the period ending December 2. The senior high school ranks second with a record of 96.66, and the grade schools are close behind. The lowest average was that of the Central school, which had a percentage of 96.55.

Of 37 Fires 9 Due to Smoking, Surmise

Nampa, Ida., Dec. 16.—During July, August and September 37 fires occurred in the Boise national forest, according to a report by Supervisor Grandjean. Nine were man-made, in all probability caused by smokers, he said.

Mill Fire Caused By Dust Explosion

Marshfield, Dec. 16.—A dust explosion Thursday started a fire in the engine room of the mill at Coquille, owned by the Sitka Spruce company, and caused \$5000 damage. The fire was put out before it reached the main mill. The plant was leased by the Coquille Lumber mills until the latter went into the hands of a receiver.

New Mexico Coal Miners' Pay Is Cut

Pueblo, Colo., Dec. 16.—(I. N. S.)—Notices of a wage reduction to the scale prevailing in November, 1917, were posted in coal mines of the Gallup, N. M., district, Friday, according to word received at the headquarters of the United Mine Workers of America, here.

BOOTLEGGER CAUGHT

Hood River, Dec. 16.—When O. A. Downey, rancher and alleged bootlegger of the East Side, went behind a local livery barn here Thursday night to get several bottles of moonshine for customers, he was caught with the evidence on him by Marshal Bill Hart. Pleading guilty before Justice Onthank this morning he was fined \$250 and was sentenced to six months in jail, the latter being suspended on good behavior. Downey had recently left his ranch and was living with his wife in a local hotel.

CHINA TRADE ACT

Consideration of the China Trade act, which was sponsored by Portland interests, was given by the senate Thursday afternoon, according to a message received today from W. D. B. Dodson, general manager of the Oregon Lumber. Dodson said that every prospect pointed to immediate action on the measure.

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Musicals Proceeds Aid Flood Victims

Newport, Or., Dec. 16.—The Lincoln county chapter of the Red Cross gave a musical at the Midway theatre Wednesday night, the door receipts of which are to be turned over to the flood-stricken settlers on the lower Siletta valley who lost homes, clothing and provisions during the storm of November 19 and 20. The receipts amounted to \$59. The Third Company Coast Artillery band and the Bi-Ho-Mar orchestra contributed the music and school children made up the program with songs and piano duets and a violin solo by Leroy Harrison. The theatre was packed.

Port May Embrace All Clarke County

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 16.—Extending the port of Vancouver borders to include all of Clarke county will do more to build up Vancouver than any other move that can be made, and the work of putting this measure on the ballot and working for its success should begin without delay, in the opinion of Mayor Higgins. Only 12 country precincts are included in the port and some of these are only partly within the boundaries. In considering the subject it was thought best to place the measure on the ballot at the general election next November because of the expense of holding a special election.

ARMY NOMINATIONS

Washington, Dec. 16.—(U. P.)—The nominations of Brigadier General Omar Bundy and Harry Foote Hodges to be major generals, and Colonels Ben A. Coore and George Van Horn Moseley to be brigadier generals, were ordered favorably reported to the senate today.

BELFAST RIOTING CONTINUES; 1 DEAD

Belfast, Dec. 16.—(I. N. S.)—One person was killed and five wounded in disorders here today. Political rioting has become almost continuous. One man was wounded by a bullet which penetrated the window of his home. Another man was found unconscious.

Elks' Follies to Be Staged in Vancouver

The Portland Elks' minstrel show and follies will be given Wednesday night at Vancouver barracks. The money will go to the educational fund for disabled veterans. All in the cast, including Captain Jules L. Biehoff of the medical detachment at the barracks, are ex-professionals. The show recently was given at Oregon City.

Duck Tagged by U. S. Department, Is Killed

For the first time since the government biological survey started placing aluminum leg bands on ducks to trace flights and nesting places, a leg band was turned in to the headquarters of the state game commission today. The band was taken from the leg of a hen mallard by G. Frazier of this city. The duck was shot on Columbia slough. It bears the number 27, which is being checked to determine where the bird originated.

Maude Moore to Pose for Screen

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 16.—(U. P.)—Maude Moore, wife of Will H. Stubbs, Tacoma, Wash., hotel man, will go into the movies, she announced today before departing for Tacoma to join her husband. Mrs. Stubbs was acquitted last week, after a sensational trial, for the murder of LeRoy Heath, wealthy Knoxville automobile man.

WRITER GOES EAST

Ward A. Irvine, editorial writer on The Journal, left last night on a brief business trip to New York.

Big Tin Plant to Work Full Time

Farrell, Pa., Dec. 16.—(I. N. S.)—The plant of the American Sheet & Tinplate company, in this city, will resume capacity operations at midnight Sunday and continue on full time indefinitely. It was announced today by company officials. All of the 30 hot mills will be operated.

FAMILY FAIL TO SAVE MAN

Kalama, Wash., Dec. 16.—H. J. Hughes, with an automobile load of liquor, his wife and child, ran afoul of local authorities near Kalama, Wednesday, and Hughes was fined \$250

STATE ROAD TO BE ASKED

Salem, Dec. 16.—Designation of a road intersecting the West Side highway near Dayton and extending south through West Salem and Independence to an intersection of the West Side highway between Corvallis and Albany as a state highway will be asked of the state highway commission by the Willamette Highway association, which met here Thursday. State Senator I. L. Patterson presided.

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