

TAX REDUCTION LEAGUE FROWNS ON STATE BANK

Salem, July 7.—Efforts to obtain improvement of the state owned bank and other Non-Partisan league principles by the Oregon State Tax Reduction league was frowned upon by the tax reductionists in session here yesterday.

The Non-Partisan league move was headed by F. Coulter of Portland, who took full credit for the establishment of the state owned bank in North Dakota. Coulter's glowing description of the operations of the state owned bank, which he declared to be a panacea for the tax ills of Oregon, was met with much applause from the tax reductionists, but a vote on the indorsement of the principle found it snowed under by a big majority. Seymour Jones, former speaker of the house of representatives, who led the fight against the Non-Partisan league plank, declared it would spell ruin of the

tax reduction movement in this state. CHANGE NAME OF BLOC

A suggestion by Coulter that the tax reductionists appoint a committee of seven to act as a farm bloc in lining up legislative candidates as to their stand on tax questions, provoked a two-hour debate, but was finally accepted by changing the style of the "bloc" to that of tax reduction bloc.

Considerable difficulty was experienced by the tax reductionists in filling the presidential post made vacant by the resignation of J. C. Cooper of McMinnville, the founder and prime mover in the organization. Seymour Jones, to whom it was first tendered, declined with thanks, as did J. D. Brown and Robert Duncan of Portland, to whom it was then tendered, who assured the convention that his reputation throughout the state would mean the downfall of the league should he accept its presidency.

BROWN ACCEPTS POST

Brown was finally prevailed upon to accept the post, under protest. A. Slaughter of Salem was named as temporary secretary-treasurer of the state organization.

The convention went on record as opposed to further state appropriation for the state institutions of higher learning so long as present millage remains effective. Indorsed the income tax measure sponsored by the state grange and declared their opposition to the move which would make the

public service commissioners appointed by the governor instead of elective, as now constituted.

Three Fined \$565 For Participation In One Liquor Case

Eight bottles of moonshine, inside Eli Bottich's shirt, looked too conspicuous to Patrolman Meahan, who stopped the man and soon learned that his oversized proportions were not due to mere corpulence. With Patrolman Tyler, he arrested Bottich, Nick Knezcevic and Joseph Lopez, who appeared to have some connection with the whiskey. This morning Judge Ekwall fined Knezcevic \$350 and sentenced him to 30 days in jail for maintaining a nuisance at No. 18 North Second street, where Bottich is said to have been a runner. Bottich was fined \$200 and sentenced to 10 days. Lopez, who admitted buying a drink, paid a \$15 fine.

J. O. MARRS DIES

James O. Marrs, formerly a Portland contractor, died at Nicholasville, Ky., June 30, after an operation for appendicitis, according to word received here. Mr. and Mrs. Marrs resided here. They moved to Kentucky, where Mr. Marrs' father resides, a year

and a half ago. The widow and three children survive.

GO TO SERVE TERMS

Wilson Carl and Lewis Alexander, 18-year-old boys recently convicted of postal thefts at Grinnell, will leave tonight for the reformatory at Green Bay, Wis., to undertake their terms. They will be in custody of Alexander Davidson, deputy United States marshal, and Special Guard Parker of the police station.

FIREMEN RESCUE FUP

New York, July 7.—Firemen chopped through doors and walls in response to entreatings yelled in a Chinese restaurant and rescued a bull pup.

Card Players Fight; One Badly Injured

Pasco, Wash., July 7.—As the result of a cutting affray about 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon, Lorenson Skilalo, is in the local hospital with injuries which may prove serious if not fatal, and Mercer White, colored, is in jail awaiting the outcome of Skilalo's injuries. The fracas occurred in a poolroom, and is said to have been the result of a dispute over a card game.

CAN UPSETS, KILLS DRIVER

Boise, Idaho, July 7.—George Bennett, who was killed when his car went off the grade in the Payette river canyon July 4, is thought to have started to turn out for a mudhole and lost control of his car, which turned over and pinned him beneath. A small girl passing by discovered the accident and reported it.

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