

PORT BOARD TO BE APPOINTED BY NEXT GOVERNOR

The election of commissioners of the Port of Portland, which recurrently mars the serenity of the legislature and the Multnomah delegation, more or less, will be spared that body at the coming session, for, under the existing law, the members of that commission are to be appointed by the governor as their terms of office expire.

Incidentally, Walter Pierce, as governor, will have the appointment of the entire commission in his hands during the four years of his term; four of the present commission going out on the first Monday in June of 1923, and the remaining five on the first Monday of June, 1925.

Not many people remember, perhaps, that the 1921 session of the legislature, in amending the Port of Portland act, provided for the appointment of the port commissioners by the governor, thus taking their selection from the hands of the legislature.

PORT WAS STORM CENTER
The Port of Portland was a storm center during the 1921 session, and at that time those opposed to the system of legislative elections forced an amendment to the main port bill before the session for enactment which provided that the governor should submit a list of nominees to the legislature whenever the terms of a port commissioner was about to expire, and that the legislature, unless it became deadlocked with the executive office, should make its selection from this list.

After that bill had been argued upon in committee, however, Frederick W. Mulkey, who led the opposition to legislative election of the commissioners, insisted upon a measure being submitted to the voters of the Port of Portland district providing for the unqualified appointment of the commissioners by the governor. That bill was to become effective only after its ratification. It was ratified at a special election in June 1921.

Under this law the terms of Commissioners T. J. McCreary, D. Kenworthy, Andrew R. Porter and Henry L. Corbett will expire on the first Monday of June, 1923. Their successors will be appointed by the governor. The terms of the remaining five present commissioners—George H. Kelly, Phil Metzger, Frank M. Warren, W. L. Thompson and H. A. Sargent—will expire on the first Monday of June, 1925.

ALL ARE REPUBLICANS
All of the members of the commission at the present time are Republicans, and it is generally expected that when Pierce comes to select the successors to the first four to leave the commission he will more than probably pick a Democrat or two to sit on the commission.

There is, also, another interesting angle to the situation. Senator Gus Moser, who had charge of the Port of Portland legislation when it was put through the legislature, was appointed counsel for the commission. Politicians are wondering whether Senator Moser's job will long survive the addition of four Pierce appointed commissioners to the Port of Portland personnel.

PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD MAY BECOME APPOINTIVE
Members of the public service commission, and those who do business with that rate regulatory organization, are wondering what will happen to that body when the legislature meets in January. Will it be permitted to run along as it is now constituted or will the existing law be changed and the commissions be made appointive by the governor?

The recent session the commission has been more or less of a storm center. The recall of Commissioner Williams and Buchtel, while it may have satisfied some, undoubtedly did not bring much comfort to many others throughout the state.

The hotel men, it will be remembered, commenced the initiation of a measure providing for the retirement of the entire existing commission through repeal of the act creating the commission, and the enactment of a new law placing the selection of the commissioners in the hands of the governor, rather than by election by the people. This act was not submitted to the voters because of the difficulty and expense of securing sufficient signatures to place it on the ballot.

It is expected, however, that when the legislature convenes a measure will be introduced during the early days of the session which would sweep the then commission—Corey, McCoy and Campbell—out of office, and at the same time give the governor power to appoint a new commission.

Such a plan would cut Thomas K. Campbell, who has been elected to a place on the commission off the list, though there are those who argue that Pierce would be more or less obligated to appoint him because of his having been elected at the recent election for a four-year term.

An attempt to carry out this plan of change would in all likelihood stir up a lot of controversy before the legislature. It would not be at all surprising to see efforts made to bring about sweeping changes in the scope and jurisdiction of the public service commission. Some would like to see the commission's control limited or entirely removed so far as franchises granted by municipalities to public utilities are concerned. It was this power which enabled the commission to override the franchise of the Portland and Railway, Light & Power company and increase the Portland streetcar fares ultimately from 5 to 8 cents.

WASHINGTON-BOUND Settlers Rerouted To Oregon Location
Corvallis, Nov. 30.—Housed in two big canvas-top wagons of the pioneer variety and with a trailer in the shape of a buggy, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Dunham and two children visited Corvallis, en route to Logden, Lincoln county, where they expect to secure a cattle or hog ranch.

The Dunhams left Forsythe, Mont., June 15, bound here for Puget Sound. They stopped at a number of places en route and, after reaching Wenatchee, Wash., a son was taken ill with typhoid fever and the Dunhams were obliged to spend several weeks in that vicinity. An Oregon man exhibiting hogs in Washington induced the travelers to come south. Virtually two days of travel were spent on the road from Marion county, Oregon, to Corvallis, but the Dunhams are enjoying the trip and are looking forward to the stay in Western Oregon.

STRAWBERRIES Sell At \$2.50 a Quart
(By United News)
New York, Nov. 30.—Strawberries are available here for Thanksgiving at only \$2.50 a quart. The supply, limited to 400 quarts, came from Florida.

STORE PARTLY DESTROYED
A short circuit in the wiring of a grocery store at No. 300 Thurman street started a fire at 8:30 this morning which partly destroyed the store and caused damages estimated at \$2000. The building is a two story frame structure. The store is owned by F. Watkins. Engine 26 responded to the alarm and stopped the flames from spreading.

BONUS DECISION UPHELD
Salem, Nov. 30.—The action of the state bonus commission in refusing to permit Hiale R. Gould, ex-service man, to change his application from cash to loan after having formally accepted the cash, was upheld by Judge G. C. Bingham of the Marion county circuit court in dismissing a suit filed by Gould, Wednesday.

CITY TREASURY SHOWS BALANCE OF \$1,919,945.47

Portland's new fiscal year begins December 1, and the annual financial statement of City Treasurer Adams closed at 5 o'clock Wednesday night.

shows a balance on hand of \$1,919,945.47. The balance on hand at the beginning of the fiscal year of 1922 was \$1,718,744.31 and the receipts during the year amounted to \$12,973,932.29. The disbursements were \$11,772,731.13.

The public dock funds starts in the new year with a balance of \$445,945.35. At the beginning of the fiscal year just closed it had on hand \$333,227.94 and it received during the year \$1,734,142.69, making a total of \$2,267,370.63. The disbursements were \$1,850,254.78. The policemen's relief and pension fund during the year totaled \$53,543.72, and the disbursements were \$51,274.44, leaving a balance of \$2,274.28.

The total in the firemen's relief and pension fund for the year was \$64,666.23; the disbursements \$64,966.07, and the balance is \$1906.36.

During the year just closed bonds have been retired to the total amount of \$2,152,945.09. These include: Improvement bonds, \$1,001,173.98; St. Johns improvement bonds, \$35,577.75; Linnton improvement bonds, \$6194.36; reconstruction and purchase of bridges, \$500,000; city hall bonds, \$500,000; fire department construction bonds, \$2000; playgrounds bonds, \$20,000; dock bonds, \$125,000.

Bonds issued during the fiscal year of 1922 totaled \$2,165,625.52. These include: Improvement bonds, \$865,625.52; water bonds, \$800,000; dock bonds, \$500,000.

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