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10 MILLION BOND ISSUE ACT PASSES

House Puts Over Road Improvement Bill With Three Dissenting Votes, Weeks, Hughes and Scheubel

RESOLUTION ADOPTED EARLIER IN PROGRAM

Limitation of Highway Indebtedness Raised If Senate Follows Lower Body

The ten million dollar road bond bill passed the house yesterday with only three members, Schuebel of Clackamas, and Weeks and Hughes of Marion voting against it. The bill is house bill No. 52 and was introduced by the committee on roads and highways. There was practically no discussion.

The bill provides that the highway commission shall issue not to exceed ten million dollars worth of bonds for road and highway improvement. It is specified that 75 per cent of the amount derived from the sale of the bonds shall be spent on hard surface paving and the remainder on improvements and roads to meet requirements of the various districts as the commission shall determine.

Resolution adopted House joint resolution No. 11, substitute for house joint resolution No. 3, introduced by Stewart of Wheeler was adopted earlier in the day with two dissenting votes, they being those of Weeks and Hughes of Marion. The resolution raises the limitation of indebtedness for road improvement from 2 to 4 per cent of the assessed valuation of the state. The resolution will make possible the operation of the bonding bill.

Journal of House Ordered by Resolution Adopted

Journal of the house to be prepared within 25 days following adjournment of the special session is provided for in house resolution No. 11 adopted by the house yesterday.

Special Session Laws for 1919 Code Is Proposal

Inclusion in the laws passed by the special session in the 1919 code, now in process of compilation by Conrad P. Olson, is provided in house joint resolution No. 10 which was adopted by the house yesterday. Committee reported that the code which originally was to have been ready about February 1 will be delayed less than a month if the resolution is finally adopted by both houses.

MRS. THOMPSON ACTING SPEAKER

Woman Representative Presides in House When Bill 13 Passes

Mrs. Alexander Thompson, representative from Hood River and Wasco counties, was acting speaker yesterday when house bill No. 13 came up for passage. She had been asked to take the chair by Speaker Jones while he sat in the body of the house for a few minutes.

KOLCHAK HELD BY REDS, CLAIM

Report From Siberia of Capture of Admiral Is Confirmed

LONDON, Jan. 15.—The reports of the capture of Admiral Kolchak, head of the all-Russian government in Siberia have been confirmed, it is declared in a Moscow wireless today.

Salem and Eugene High Loop Teams Meet Tonight

The Salem high school team will meet the Eugene high's basketball team tonight on the high school gym floor at 7:45 o'clock. The local team has been practicing conscientiously since the game with McMinnville and the five man defense will be a deciding factor in their favor. This was used to advantage in the last game.

WAR AGAINST REDS LOOMS FOR ENGLAND

Successes of Bolsheviki in Russia Causes Secret Conferences of British Military and Naval Heads

INVASION OF INDIA AND EUROPE FEARED

Poles Expected to be Next Object of Attack—Troops Have Able Leaders

LONDON, Jan. 15.—Before peace with Germany is a week old, the British public has been brought up sharply against the possibility of another war. Winston Spencer Churchill, secretary for war; Walter Hume Long, first lord of the admiralty; Baron Beatty, commander of the Grand fleet, and Field Marshal Sir Henry H. Wilson, chief of the imperial staff, left London tonight, having been hurriedly summoned to Paris for a consultation with Premier Lloyd George and other British officials there on important military and naval matters.

Red Success Is Cloud Connected in the public mind with the semi-official statement published today called attention threatening situation in the middle east as a result of bolshevik military successes, which have given the soviets virtual mastery of the whole of European Russia, for, although it is yet unconfirmed that they have entered Odessa, it is believed it cannot be long before they are in full possession of the coast regions.

By their victories the bolsheviks have obtained command of enormous supplies of food, raw material, coal and rolling stock and other means of transport. Speculation is active in the European capitals as to what will be the next move of the bolsheviks. It is regarded as certain that, flushed with success, they will not be content with their present conquest but will seek to extend bolshevism either eastward or westward. Expert military opinion inclines to the belief that their next move will be an attack on Poland and the Baltic states, and dispatches to the London papers already indicate that the Poles are anticipating such a move.

The soviets now undoubtedly command formidable forces, but not sufficient to warrant an attempt to advance both east and west. Against the likelihood of an attack on Poland, which, it is said, would be popular with the red generals, is the fact that the bolshevik flanks would be exposed on the north to an attack by the Letts and on the south to an attack by the Rumanians.

MALHEUR ROAD BILL IS PASSED

Measure Held to Open Way for Flock of Similar Bills One More In

House bill No. 4 providing for the inclusion in the state highway system of a road in Malheur county from Nyssa to McDermitt by way of Succor creek and Jordan Valley, was passed by the house yesterday. The bill was introduced by Gallagher and on Wednesday was the center of attack on the ground that it would establish a precedent for other counties. The minority report favoring the bill was adopted Wednesday.

WILSON GARAGE IS ENTERED BY THIEVES WHO DROP SEVEN TIRES WHEN PURSUED AND GET AWAY

The Wilson garage, 388 North Commercial street, owned by Mayor Otto Wilson, was entered by thieves about 12:45 o'clock last night but nothing of value is believed to have been secured. The robbers were pursued by the police and dropped seven new automobile tires which they were carrying and escaped in the darkness.

3-HOUR BRIDE IS WIDOW BRIDEGROOM KILLS SELF POOR HEALTH IS CAUSE

LEWISTON, Ida., Jan. 15.—John H. Brown, well known young man of Idaho county, ended his life at 9 o'clock this morning by leaping from a Camas Prairie passenger train while crossing the Lawyer canyon bridge, the highest trestle of the entire Northern Pacific system. Brown was united in marriage three hours previous at Grangeville to Miss Leta Yovelace. The couple were en route to Winchester where Brown was employed by the Craig mountain Lumber company and Brown left his bride in the day coach while he went in the smoking compartment.

DONALD HOST TO DELEGATES FROM LEAGUE

Banquet Is Served to Visitors During Enthusiastic Convention

BULLETINS TO GO OUT Co-operation With State Chamber Expected to Bring Big Results

Donald is not a big town but it is one of the most active burgs on the Oregon Electric line. The branch of the Marion Community Development league at Donald entertained delegates last night from other locals in the county. Those who were so fortunate to have been served a meal at the bungalow hotel, managed by Mrs. Mercer, and by the good women of Donald with the good "cafe" provided after the meeting are unanimous in voting Donald a place at the top of the list of hospitable hosts.

Business of importance discussed at the meeting was the placing of signs at important road intersections in the county. This work is to be completed before the opening of the next tourist season.

Bulletins—10,000 or more in number—were ordered to be published. The booklets are to embody 42 pages of reading matter descriptive of the industries, resources and opportunities for home building in Marion county. Each town and community represented in the league will be given one page in this bulletin in which to set forth its claims as a home building center.

One-fifth of the entire edition will be distributed by the State Chamber of Commerce. It is believed that this method of advertising this county will be far reaching and productive of great results.

Meetings of farmers will come under the supervision of the respective local organizations at which topics of local interest will be discussed under the leadership of experts in farm practices.

Each member was urged by L. J. Chapin to use his influence to take the corn show at Salem a success. The exhibition will be held from January 19 to 24 inclusive. It was announced that lectures and demonstrations in the use of lubrication and fuel oils and the management of tractors would be given by authorities in those lines during the period of the corn show.

T. E. McCroskey announced that during February, the Development league would be appealed to for contributions to aid in relief of the starving Americans, hundreds of whom it is said, are dying daily. This announcement was greeted with hearty applause.

The next meeting of the county organization will be held in Salem on February 3 at which time new and important business will be considered.

BOLSHEVISTS RULE MEXICO IS ASSERTED

Traveling Salesman Tells Senate Committee Southern Nation Hotbed of Radicals From Border to Border

WILSON "HYPNOTIZED" BELIEF EXPRESSED

Outrages in Passing of Once Prosperous Colony Are Described

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 15.—Propagandists of Bolshevism have spread their doctrine of radicalism from Sonora to the Isthmus of Tehuantepec within a year, the senate sub-committee investigating the Mexican situation was told today by an American traveling salesman. The witness was heard in executive session in order that he might be guarded to that extent against possible reprisals by Mexicans. He begged that his name not be used because he expects to return to Mexico.

Carranza Favors Bolshevism Carranza, when forced to choose between two small armies in the south, one led by the federal commander and the other known as the Bolsheviki force, declared in favor of the latter, he assured the committee. Striking laboring men in other districts, he said, were frank in their declaration of adherence to the radical cause and almost everywhere he went he found undisguised evidence of the success of the extremist agitators.

"I have told the American consuls in Mexico about the conditions," he testified, "but I could always note that they were averse to hearing the facts and especially where it reflected unfavorably upon the Mexican government."

Wilson "Hypnotized" After commenting that "Mr. Wilson seemed to be hypnotized by Mr. Carranza," he added: "If the American government should cease to support Carranza he would not last 30 days. The merchants and the business men of Mexico want law and order but they can not hope for such while the Bolsheviki gang is upheld by the American government."

Outrages Related Matthew Warner, a veteran of the Civil war of Antonio, gave the history of the Atascadero colony which he founded during the rule of Porfirio Diaz near Tampico. It was populated by farmers from Nebraska, Illinois, Iowa and Texas. A German and one American family remain on the property. His account included reference to the murder of A. Burr and the serious injury of his father by Mexicans. He said it was that property that the daughters of Matthew Gourd were attacked by Mexicans, who first roped their father in such a position he might witness their acts.

DEATH PENALTY UP TO PEOPLE

Senate Resolution on Capital Punishment Adopted by House

Capital punishment will be referred to the vote of the people at the general election as result of the passage by the house yesterday of senate joint resolution No. 2. The house passed the resolution without record vote.

CHERRIANS TO MAKE SEARCH FOR ALL SALEM CITIZENS NOT ENUMERATED BY CENSUS TAKERS

For instance, there were then 1158 more males than females in Salem. Are there that many more now? But the important matter is, are there more than 14,024 people in Salem now? Has Salem grown in population in ten years? If so, how much? The census for 1920 is about finished now. Have all the people been counted? As The Statesman has said a number of times, the test is this: You live where you sleep. Have all the sleeping places been found? The Cherrians are about to make a search on Monday for any who may not have been counted in Salem. It is important that Salem should show a substantial growth. Many advantages will accrue—too numerous to mention. And the figures will stand for ten more years.

Settling of Klamath Land by Service Men Favored

Settlement of Klamath county reclamation lands by service men instead of tying them up in a contract with an eastern corporation, is favored in house joint memorial No. 7 which was adopted by the house yesterday. The memorial if adopted by the senate will be sent to congress.

PAIR OF SMITHS TANGLE AGAIN

Resolution on Amending Constitution Battle Ground of Legislators

The two Smiths of the house tangled again yesterday over house joint resolution No. 9 which would put before the vote of the people the bill providing that the constitution shall not be amended except by majority of all registered voters whether they can ballot or not. Smith of Baker and Bean of Lane maintained that the proposal if passed by the people would be a safeguard to the constitution and save it from unnecessary amendment.

Smith of Multnomah declared that the resolution put a premium on shirking responsibility of the vote, that the citizen who "stayed at home and neglected his duty would be voting against the voters who were taking their part in the responsibility of citizenship."

The resolution was referred back to the committee.

WATER POWER BILL IS PASSED

Measure Has Been Before Congress in Some Form for Decade

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—By a vote of nearly three to one, the senate today passed the water power development bill, different in some respects from the measure adopted by the house in July, but following in a general way the same bill that has been before congress in one form or another for the last decade.

MINIMUM WAGE MEASURE ROLLS

Resolution in House Provides for Committee to Prepare Argument

Mixing of the legislature in directing vote of the people was frequently charged by members of the house, among them being Eugene Smith of Multnomah, when house joint resolution No. 14 came up for action. The resolution provided that the legislature shall appoint a committee to prepare for use in the general election pamphlet an argument against the bill which is to be initiated providing for a minimum wage of \$4 a day for all male workers.

Arguments against the proposed measure, which, it is said, is being prepared in Portland, were numerous. Smith of Baker spoke against the measure and in favor of adopting the resolution. Smith of Multnomah said that he did not approve of the measure but neither did he approve of the legislature mixing in the initiative rights of citizens. He suggested that if the people did not want the bill some one would prepare an argument against it.

The motion to adopt the resolution carried 49 to 12.

GAME BILL PASSED BY THE SENATE

Veto by Governor Olcott Is Now Only Hope to Rescue Department From Dire Machinations of Politicians

OLCOTT EXCORIATED FOR LACK OF DECISION

Vote on Measure Preceded by Hard Fight and Margin Is Close

Only the veto of Governor Olcott can now save Oregon's fish and game from the smuttiest political influence to which any department of the state government has been subjected in Oregon history.

If the governor bucks up, if he screws up his political courage to the point of slapping executive disapproval through the veto power on the infamous Norblad-Handley-Bean bill, introduced in the house, and which passed the senate yesterday, he doubtless will yet be able to save fish and game affairs in the future from the dire machinations which have secured passage of that bill through the legislature.

The salmon monopoly, urged and aided by representatives of the paying trust, who are working shoulder to shoulder with the monopolized fishing interests in this special session of the legislature, was able to win its fight in the senate as it did in the house, though it took a hard-fought battle, and the Norblad-Handley-Bean bill was passed by a vote of 19 to 11, with 28 senators voting. In brief, the bill creates a state board of fish and game commissioners of nine members, five composing a game commission, three a fish commission, all elected by the legislature and a ninth member not affiliated with either branch, who shall be elected by the other commissioners and serve as chairman. Provision of the bill that the members be elected by the legislature made the issue on which the executive office.

It is the brazenly admitted intention of the proponents of the bill to elect all of the present fish and game commissioners as members of the new commission. This will throw fish and game back into the constant condition of hickering and wrangling and political scheming in which Governor Olcott has said he would deliver it by ousting the present members of the commission and supplanting them with an entire new personnel. Only the veto is left as a possibility to bring back that authority to the executive office.

The action that has been taken by the legislature, over the protest of sportsmen of the state, loses to the state the services of William L. Finley, nationally known scientist and student of animal and bird life. A bill has been introduced in the legislature creating the post of state biologist for Mr. Finley, but it comes that because of what has been done, no post in the power of the state to offer, will be accepted by him. The intention of the legislators who steam-rolled the Norblad-Handley-Bean bill through the house and secured its passage in the senate obviously is to fill the post with one of their own political henchmen. The office of biologist, of course, will be a political football at every session of the legislature henceforth if the bill passed yesterday becomes a law.

The words are gone about that Governor Olcott has promised that he will not veto the bill. This, after his apparent determination expressed in his later published statements, came as blow to the members who came to Salem to help the governor put over what he said was his recommendation on the floor of the senate yesterday. The result was that in the senate debate yesterday all sides excoriated the governor.

Senator Banks, who voted for the bill and who a year ago repeatedly in speeches on the floor of the senate spoke in Olcott's behalf, said yesterday:

"What we need is more of the Gibraltar and less of the jelly-fish, more of the executive and less of the clerk."

Senator Moser, who also voted for the bill, asserted in directing remarks to the opponents of the bill, that "if you are going to follow the governor's program you will have to step to the liveliest jazz music that any public official ever danced to."

In a scathing characterization of the governor's lack of decision Senator Thomas referred to him as one "entitled to wear the crown as king of passers of the buck."

The vote on the bill was as follows: For—Banks, Bell, Eberhard, Farrell, Handley, Huston, Hurley, Jones, Moser, Nockleson, Norblad, Orton, Easterson, Ritner, Shanks, Smith of Josephine, Wood. Against—Baldwin, Eddy, Gill, Lachmund, LaFollett, Pierce, Porter, Smith of Coos and Curry, Strayer, Thomas, Winton. Absent—Howell. House bill No. 37, the Norblad-Handley-Bean measure for the creation of a fish and game commission of nine members, eight to be

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