

HOUSE GETS BUSY, PASSES MANY BILLS

Fifteen Representative Measures, Six Senate, Voted Favorably — Six Measures Get Axe.

FOUR KILLED HAVE TO DO WITH ELECTION

Provision That Non-registered Voters Secure Six Freeholders, Lost.

In one of the busiest days of the session, the house of representatives yesterday threw its coat in the corner of the room and passed 15 house bills, six senate bills, re-referred three bills to committees and applied the axe to six house bills.

Four of the bills which failed to meet with the approval of the house were introduced by Representative Kuehn of Multnomah county and had to do with election procedure in some form or other. The most important of which probably was the bill which would have provided that non-registered voters might be sworn in on election day only by securing six registered voters of his precinct to swear to his registration application. Other bills killed were:

Bills Killed
133. Kuehn, providing for the personnel of election boards, in Multnomah county.

134. Kuehn, to permit persons from any part of the county to serve in any precinct as members of election boards.

228. Kuehn, relating to checking of names of voters by clerks and judges of elections.

229. Kuehn, relating to entry of voter's name and delivery of ballot.

H. B. 26, Lewis, providing for taxation of church property.

The following house bills were passed:

60.—Mrs. Simmons, relating to the manner in which women shall serve on juries.

3.—Lewis, relating to public holidays and repeating the statute making Columbus day a state holiday.

76.—Keopoy, relating to taxation of property from taxation.

156.—Hammond, relating to election and term of office of district attorneys.

161.—Miles, providing for eradication and control of bovine tuberculosis in Columbia county.

174.—Hammond, providing for disposition of fees received by embalming boards.

181.—Kuehn, to have county courts fix election precincts at July term.

198.—Kuehn, to require that initiative petitions must be signed by five per cent of the legal voters and shall be signed only at the office of county clerk.

201.—Hurd, creating office of county herd inspector for Clatsop county.

203.—McMahon of Linn, relating to liens on personal property.

Many School Bills
218.—Hammond, requiring school districts to sell school bonds, notes or warrants at not less than par and accrued interest and to advertise for bids on such sales.

222.—Hurlburt, relating to civil appeals in justice courts.

234.—Carey and McPhillips, creating office of herd inspector in Yamhill county.

255.—Lane county delegation, relating to the purchase of certain property by the University of Oregon.

300.—Lane county delegation, pertaining to legal title of property of the University of Oregon.

Senate Measures Passed
The following were also passed:
31.—Brown, defining the term "peddler" and making exceptions

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GREAT GERMAN THROG PROTESTS RUHR SEIZURE



View of the crowd in front of the Reichstag in Berlin, estimated at 200,000, gathered to protest against the occupation of the Ruhr by the French. The crowd stood bareheaded while a band played patriotic airs.

SITUATION IN EAST BETTER MEASURE GETS SHARPEST AXE

Roads and Highways Opposed to Increasing Powers of Public Service.

PARIS, Feb. 5.—(By the Associated Press.)—M. Bompard, head of the French delegation at Lausanne, had a long talk with Ismet Pasha before leaving for Paris, details of which he telegraphed to Premier Poincare who received his message late this afternoon. Ismet was more completely informed of the intentions of the allies in the event a settlement was not reached. He did not persist in his uncompromising attitude of last night and accepted the text of the capitulations previously submitted to him, thus removing the only obstacle to the signature of the treaty.

The reservations of the Turks on other points, such as Mosul, have already been accepted by the allies.

Ismet Pasha told M. Bompard that if he should make a hurried trip to Algiers it was fully understood that the Mudania armistice would continue in force during his absence.

The premier hastened the tidings to London.

Ismet, according to an earlier dispatch to Havas, informed M. Bompard, head of the French delegation, after today's conferences that the Turks were disposed to consider the allied treaty as finally presented, and with Sunday night's last minute concession included, might not refuse to sign. The negotiations were then renewed, and at present believed, with successful results.

DECREE GRANTED IN ISLAND SUIT

Notes Given in Land Deal Ordered Turned in for Cancellation.

The old land case hinging on the purchase of five tracts of land on Palmito del Verde Island, Sinaloa, Mexico, by W. L. Mercer and Lottie Mercer was again aired in the circuit court yesterday when a decision was handed down granting a permanent injunction to the plaintiffs against Eno M. Harper, seller of the land, and Ladd & Bush Bank, restraining them from delivering or attempting to collect on promissory notes made by the Mercers.

The plaintiffs alleged that the land was represented to them as fertile, irrigated, and capable of great development when in reality it was impossible to grow crops except by irrigation through the use of buckets. A total of \$2,206.24 was paid in cash and the balance made in promissory notes, held by Ladd & Bush Bank. The plaintiffs asked that the defendant be restrained from endorsing and delivering the notes to innocent purchasers and that they be returned for cancellation.

The court allowed the motion of the plaintiffs for default and decree and ruled that the notes be returned to the clerk of court for cancellation. In addition it was ruled that the plaintiffs were entitled to a decree rescinding the contract.

Must Label Filberts Grown and Sold Here

Governor Pierce yesterday signed the bill requiring that walnuts and filberts sold in Oregon be labeled to show whether they are grown in Oregon or in some other part of the world. The bill was introduced in the house by Representative Reynolds of Marion county, and it was claimed that inferior nuts grown elsewhere are frequently labeled "Oregon," much to the injury of Oregon's reputation as a nut-producing state.

"DIVORCE DAY" IS LATEST IN CIRCUIT COURT

February Fifteenth is Set Aside as Date For Hearing All Default Cases

So numerous have divorce complaints become in the Marion county circuit court that Thursday, February 15 has been set aside as "Divorce Day." At this time all default divorce cases, of which there are eight at the present time, will be heard by Circuit Judge George Bingham.

Cases filed on the court clerk's docket at this time are Douglas vs. Douglas, Withrow vs. Withrow, Wheeler vs. Wheeler, Oaks vs. Stapleton and Martin vs. Martin.

It is expected that several other cases will be added to this list before February 15.

CAMPAIN FOR FUNDS OPEN

Salem People to Be Solicited Today for Money to Carry on WCTU Home.

Today begins the intensive campaign for funds for the WCTU children's home at Corvallis. The solicitation of funds has been carried on privately for the past week but now the work is to be finished in wholesale. Perhaps 100 canvassers will be in the field today, hoping to complete the Salem apportionment of \$2500 and the Marion county quota of \$7500.

Home Is Needed
The need of such a home is being shown in the records of several state institutions. Only last Saturday two little boys were sent down to the boys' school from Portland, who had committed no crime save that of being orphans. They didn't belong in the reformatory, but there is no other place to send fatherless boys, however game they may be. A similar case came up from Eastern Oregon two weeks ago, where two little lads, orphaned by the death of their parents, had to go to the reformatory or to the poor house with the toothless, the doddering, the gnuernulous.

Many Children Homeless
It has been estimated that there are 2400 children in Oregon that should have such a home as the Corvallis farm home. The 240-acre farm is now in the possession of the home with the WCTU as trustees, and is partly paid for. Eventually and as rapidly as possible, the farm will care for several hundred children, on a strictly non-sectarian basis.

Contributions Urged
It is being urged that everybody interested in child welfare come in with their money at once, and put the campaign over with a bang. Salem is asked for only 12 1-2 cents per capita. The home is expected to go well toward sustaining itself, once it is paid for and fully equipped.

Vested Rights Turns Trick
The committee also decided to report favorably on H. B. 313 and 314, introduced by Representative Carlin at the request of Governor Pierce, placing an additional tax of 1 cent on gasoline, making a total of 3 cents tax; H. B. 132, Graham, providing that the state highway commission shall issue new bonds, as frequently as the present issues are taken up; the bill to apply on the construction of market roads; and H. B. 195, Cowgill, permitting the secretary of state to appoint as many traffic officers as he deems necessary, and fixing their salaries at from \$125 to \$175 per month.

The specter of "vested rights" and unlimited franchises paraded by Buchtel probably was responsible for the action of the committee in turning down the bill, and the fact that Representative Adams felt that the bill would be special legislation.

Columbus Day Is No Longer State Holiday

Without any of the expected oratory, Representative Lewis' bill to strike Columbus day from the list of state holidays, passed the house yesterday with 18 dissenting votes.

In support of his measure Lewis explained that the only reason for passing this bill was the fact that the statute creating the holiday should never have been passed in the first place.

Those voting against the bill were Representative Carlin, Cary, Carners, Cramer, Eckell, Hesse, Hunter of Union, Jackson, Kay, Mott, McMahon of Linn, McMahon of Marion, McPhillips, Overturn, Reynolds, Schulmerich, Shelton, Simmons, Miller and Gordon were absent.

An effort of Carlin to avoid voting on the measure was objected to and Carlin voted "No."

SALARY CUT BILL PASSED BY SENATE

Reduction of Approximately Ten Per Cent in Remunerations Adopted.

The senate late yesterday adopted the Johnson concurrent resolution calling for a reduction of approximately 10 per cent in the salaries of state officials, clerks and employees whose pay is not fixed by law, and advising the ways and means committee to take this into consideration in approving appropriation bills. Johnson explained that the measure does not propose a hard and fast rule on the state departments, since the resolution was introduced, had voluntarily cut salaries 20 per cent. Zimmerman wanted to know if the resolution would confine the ways and means committee to cuts of 10 per cent, and Johnson said that would be in the discretion of the committee. Nickelsen asked if it would apply to laborers employed on the roads by the highway commission. Johnson said not. Senator Smith, chairman of the senate ways and means committee, voted against the resolution.

CITY COUNCIL COVERS MUCH NEW BUSINESS

Food-sellers Health Examination Bill Goes to Ordinance Committee — Report Due Later.

GRAVEL RESOLUTION BRINGS ON DEBATE

Much of Business Is Routine; Motormen May Retain Use of Tongues.

If the food-sellers' health examination bill hadn't been itself a particularly healthy and rugged measure it would have died the death of a yellow dog in Salem, at the city council last night. It provides for the physical examination of all persons selling or handling food for sale in the city; the city physician making the examinations twice a year and cancelling the working certificates of anyone having any communicable or contagious disease.

Doctors Want Bill
Alderman Patton referred to it as "the fool bill," and he all but tore it limb from carcass in a vitriolic speech. Alderman Daney thought that it wouldn't work a-tall, in that it left the examinations six months apart, and food sellers could contaminate a whole state, between these two times. Eventually, the ordinance was given over to the ordinance committee; they will report on it later. The measure was prepared at the instance of a number of Salem physicians, and is a copy of a Portland measure.

An ordinance to regulate and license establishments that sell foods was read for the first time and handed over to the ordinance committee for a report.

The park board was ordered to look after the overhanging trees along the city street parkings, where the limbs have become a nuisance or even a menace to pedestrian travel on the walks and to vehicular traffic in the street-side. The park board will act on the tree-trimming, according to the present unenforced ordinance.

Gravel Bids Cause Fight
A spirited fight came up over a resolution to ask for bids for gravel, sand, cement and other paving materials. Alderman Van Patten declared himself on the matter of getting better material: The measure finally passed to call for bids for the cement and the Elastite expansion joints, but the other materials will be held up for specifications. The resolution asked for bids on 6,000 yards of gravel, 600 yards of concrete gravel, 9500 barrels of Portland cement, 3000 yards sand, and 12,000 lineal feet of expansion jointing.

Contracts were approved for the sale of a number of lots in the Oaks addition.

Motormen May Talk
An ordinance was presented to repeal the prohibition of talking with motormen on the street cars. This was referred to the ordinance committee. Alderman Patton referred to the ordinance in talking about the food-sellers' health certificate ordinance; he said that God used to make laws on Mount Sinai, and they were good laws; but men had been trying their hands in law-making in these later days, and loom what they've got! The motormen are likely to have the privilege of free speech when the council gets this ordinance up for a vote.

Several applications to bond property for street assessments, were received and passed. A number of petitions for street lights were passed over to the committee on lighting.

It is understood that the total of street paving asked for in all the petitions, was close to 70 blocks. None of this was authorized; the winter street matter was definitely tabled, and the others went over to the streets and alleys committee.

GONZAGA DEFEATS PACIFIC

SPOKANE, Feb. 5.—Gonzaga university defeated Pacific university here tonight in a hard fought game of basketball, score 26 to 23. The teams were within four points of each other throughout the game. Personal fouls were especially few.

Huetter for Gonzaga and Flske for Pacific were individual stars with seven field goals each.

SCHOOL HEAD LEAVES WHILE PUPILS ROMP

Principal Who Fails To Pay Board Bill Expelled—No School at Walla Walla

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 5.—School directors of Lowden this morning informed W. G. Smith, principal of that institution, that he had broken his contract and was not expected to resume duties there. Smith was summoned to the county superintendent's office Saturday to answer a charge of unbecoming conduct, arising from a court order against him to pay W. T. Young \$83 for a board bill.

In the meantime there is no high school being held at Lowden and according to the county superintendent there has not been for the past week, although Smith has been in Lowden during practically all of that time.

BENEFIT NETS GOOD RETURNS

YMCA Auxiliary Concert Presents "All Star" Program at Church.

The benefit concert given last night for the auxiliary of the YMCA was one of the most successful of the kind given this year in Salem, according to those in charge. It was given at the First Methodist church, and more than \$200 was taken in by the women in charge. The funds go towards making up the sum pledged by the women toward paying the expense of a boys' work secretary at the local YMCA. The numbers were featured by the Whitney Boys' chorus, under the direction of Dr. H. C. Epley, made a decided hit with the audience. The chorus is composed of more than 40 boys, and while they have been organized for practice less than a month the numbers given were specially applauded by the large audience present.

Prof. E. W. Hobson sang the "Spirit Flower." Professor Hobson consented to sing on short notice in place of Everett Craven, who was unable to attend because of illness. He graciously responded with an encore.

Mrs. Ward Willis Long sang "Spring's Awakening" in splendid voice and responded with an encore. Miss Lucille Ross played her accompaniment. Mrs. Donald Riddle sang an aria from "Louise" which was particularly well suited to her voice. Mr. Riddle played her accompaniment.

Miss Bruce Putnam delighted the audience when she played her own composition, "Romance." Prof. T. S. Roberts opened the program with the organ number, the grand march from Aida. This was particularly well given and emphasized the greatly increased volume and range of the organ which is now considered one of the best on the coast.

Lloyd Waltz delighted his hearers with the human appeal of his reading, "Brothers." The concert was closed by numbers by the male quartet, composed of Fred Brasfield, S. E. Wolfe, H. C. Epley and C. E. Knowland.

FATHER AND SON BANQUET TONIGHT

Baptist Church Expects Many Guests — Grandfathers Invited.

A father-and-son banquet is to be held tonight at the First Baptist church that is expected to bring out between 100 and 200 guests. The banquet is to be served at 6:30, and the invitation is general to fathers and sons of Salem.

After a number of brief toasts, in which fathers and sons and grandfathers are to be called upon, Prof. Roy Hewitt of OAC is to deliver the principal address of the evening. The monthly meetings of the brotherhood have been largely attended and the dinner spreads have become locally famous.

FRENCH WILL HOLD NEW TERRITORY AT ALL COSTS, REPORT

(By the Associated Press.)
The French General Weigand and Minister of Public Works Letrocquer accompanied by the railroad experts are on their way from Paris to the Ruhr to formulate plans for handling the railroads in occupied territory without the aid of the engineers.

A semi-official French statement says that while no further extension of the occupation by the French in Baden has been planned, hold of the terrain already taken over will be maintained even if the Germans agree to cooperate in expediting train service.

EDDY FIGHT IS SUCCESS

Educational Bill Goes to Final Passage After Amendments Are Made.

Senator Eddy yesterday made a successful fight for his bill which would require a more thorough teaching of fundamentals in the high schools, the fight taking up more than an hour in the forenoon and about an hour and half in the afternoon.

It came up on a divided educational committee report, a minority, composed of Clark, Klepper and Edwards, against it, and a majority composed of Dunn, Garland, Toose and Brown recommending passage. After a long debate that was divided by the noon recess, Senator Toose proposed amendments to the measure. These were offered by his moving that the minority report be made a recommendation that the bill pass as amended, and inasmuch as the amendments were satisfactory to Eddy and his supporters the minority report in that shape was adopted, so that the bill goes to third reading.

Effective Date Fixed
Toose's amendments made the study of physiology and hygiene an alternative with bookkeeping, and made the bill include the facts of music and art along with the natural and physical sciences. Another amendment by Toose made the effective date September 1, 1924. In its original form an effective date was left out of the measure.

Prior to this termination of the battle the debate was long and hot, Senator Eddy making a fiery speech of an hour just before the noon adjournment.

Clark in speaking for the minority report as first made, declared the measure would be expensive because new text-books would be required. He said it would be disastrous to force the provisions of the measure into the high schools.

Eddy in reply declared that the purpose of the bill is more groundwork in fundamental education and in the principles of patriotism.

"Every word of this bill was written by myself," said Eddy, "and there is no hidden organization in the background. The professional educators have taken the position that they are the fountain of wisdom in things of this kind. Practical persons all over the state have commended this bill. I have prepared it on the basis of years of experience as an observer of school work, as a school director, parent and employer of high school graduates.

Practical Preparation Lacking
"One objection to our present high school course is that it is a supposed preparation for the higher educational institutions. But not a great many high school graduates go on to college and those who do not should be prepared for practical life when they are graduated from high school.

"It is no surprise to me that the educators of the state are massing against this measure, for they seem always to say to the legislature, 'keep your profane hands off this sacred ark of education which Almighty God has committed to us.'"

"Educators who always have been friends of mine and who greeted me with clasp of the hand, now seek to pass me by with disdain."

Senator Eddy charged that the educators of the state had stood

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Owing to the absence of Chancellor Cuno in occupied territory the Berlin government has made no representations to France as yet concerning the events in Baden. In addition to the chancellor, Hugo Stinnes, one of Germany's great industrial leaders, has paid a visit to the occupied area.

A letter has been sent to the league of nations by the congress of the French Socialist party in session at Lille in which are participating delegates from Great Britain, Germany, Belgium and France, declaring it is the duty of the league to attempt to settle the reparations question. The latter calls for the "disarmament of hates."

Workers Wait Increase
The workmen in the coal mines in the Sarre valley, taken over by the French in compensation for the mining in northern France during the war, have struck because of a refusal by the governing commission to double their wages. The mines produce 9,000,000 tons yearly.

The French continue to take into custody or deport Germans guilty of subversive measures against the occupation authorities.

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—(By the Associated Press.)—The 100,000 marks offered by the French commander at "Duesseldorf" to the parents of the little German girl accidentally killed by a bullet from the rifle of a French corporal yesterday has been refused by Dr. Griesner, provincial president.

Advisors received here say that, speaking in the name of the German government, Dr. Griesner informed the French authorities that the offer was regarded as an "unheard of affront."

The sum mentioned at the present rate of exchange is the equivalent of \$2.19.

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MAY AIR ROMANCE OF FILM ACTRESS

Judge Colahan to Be Asked to Make Decision on Matter Today.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Supreme Court Justice Colahan will be asked tomorrow to decide whether the shattered romance of Geradine Farrar and Lon Tellegenon shall be unrolled before the public or the petition for divorce be thrashed out of a referee's office behind closed doors.

Today's hearing was interrupted when newspapersmen requested Referee Thomas H. Mahoney to permit them to attend the session.

The referee said he saw no reason why the hearing should not be public unless Justice Colahan who referred the case to him desired otherwise, but he announced he would entertain a motion for privacy. Miss Farrar's lawyer promptly petitioned for secrecy and adjournment was taken until the matter could be placed before Justice Colahan tomorrow.

Irrigation Commission Certifies More Bonds

The state irrigation and drainage securities commission has certified \$75,000 more in bonds and guaranteed the interest thereon for the Grants Pass irrigation district in Josephine county. The district already has issued \$1,330,000 in bonds which have been certified and the interest guaranteed by this state. The project comprises 13,000 acres.

The commission also has certified \$50,000 more bonds for the Medford irrigation district of Jackson county. The amount heretofore certified is \$1,000,000. The project covers 10,000 acres.

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THE WEATHER
OREGON: Fair east, partly cloudy west portion.
LOCAL WEATHER
(Monday)
Temperature, Maximum 35.
Temperature, Minimum 31.
River 3.4; falling.
Rainfall, none.
Atmosphere, cloudy.
Wind, north.