

SPORTS --- Here, There and Everywhere

TAX REDUCTION HELD UNLIKELY

Senator Dennis of La Grande Speaks at Chamber of Commerce Luncheon.

Senator Bruce Dennis, of La Grande, introduced as the ablest Oregon newspaperman east of Portland, spoke Monday noon at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon. He says that he isn't a pessimist, but he told them that they needn't hope for much tax reduction just now.

"The theory of reducing taxes is largely an iridescent dream," he said in the beginning; and then he got worse as he went along. "The governor shied like a cayuse at a white spot in the road, around the bill reducing all state appropriations 10 per cent, saying that he simply 'must' have enough money to run the state. However, when it was shown that the governor would be the final arbiter in political unit taxes, he agreed. The bill passed the senate Friday, 25 to 1; it goes to the house to-day. That will actually cut a little, though not much.

Big Jumble Soon
"You can't reduce the taxes you've already voted. Tax reduction is much like the bogey of consolidation. That consolidation is not a main issue—it is only a by-product. It will not save money; but it might bring more efficiency. Things look quite differently to democrats who are now inside, and they aren't as keen as they thought they were. But we have an organization of 17 there in the senate, who are going to pass a consolidation measure, and an income tax; the very best that we can get.

"And yet that income tax bill is monkeying with one of the worst machines that ever cut off the fingers of the unwary. The last bill is a jumbled mass of details, prepared by several hands; a group of us stayed up until two o'clock to study it, and I frankly don't understand it. I don't believe anybody does. The governor, my personal friend, though political enemy, doesn't know what is in that bill. It has more 'saying clauses' and exceptions than you ever saw. Simplification was a lost art to the men who drew that bill. We're going to try to simplify it.

H. B. 141 Discussed
"But this bill, perhaps the most important measure before the legislature, falls unless it automatically reduces the taxes on real estate, and finds some of the sources of wealth that have not been bearing their proportion of the load, ought not to pass. We don't want, or need, more money for state purposes; we need redistribution of the load. If we can catch the man who is now dodging, with his high salary or other income and cut the taxes on lands; we will have done something big."

The speaker told at some length of H. B. 141, the measure providing a central state assessment board, and gave the good points of the measure as against biased, inequitable local assessment.

Live Too High
"The governor can't cut taxes; he is no Superman. But each school district, city, county, or other local subdivision, can and must do it, if it is to be done. It's your job, not the governor's. Your household expenses and mine, we've got to cut them. It's the way we live that's sending us to the devil. We say we want economy, but we want the other fellow to cut his spendings. That won't do it at all; we've got to cut our own."

The Club set out a dinner that made the crowd lick its lips all afternoon; Oregon chicken a la king, comb honey, apple butter, hot rolls, steamer pudding, baked sweet potatoes and trimmings to fit. Almost 100 guests were present.

STOPS COUGHS AND COLDS

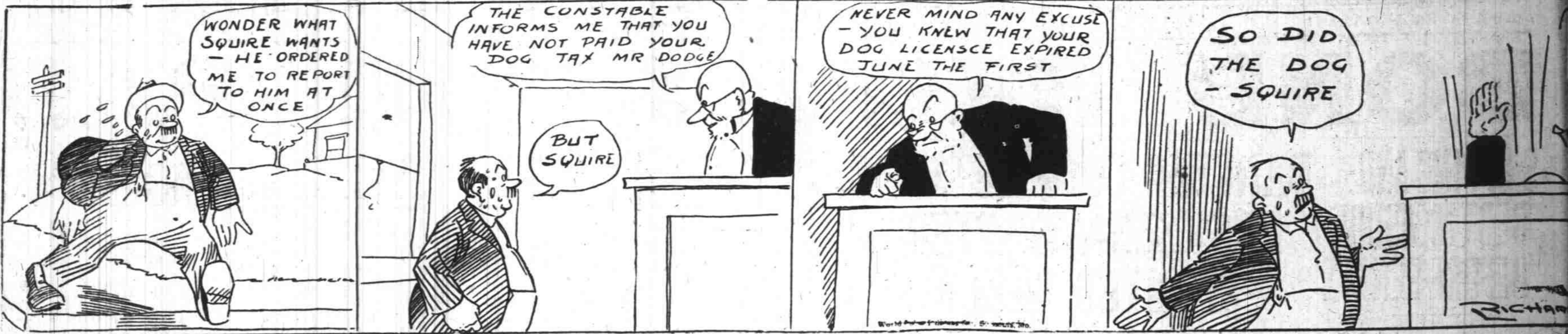
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Showdown in Case of Rube Benton Demanded

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—An effort by August Herrmann, president of the Cincinnati club, to force a showdown in the case of Rube Benton, southpaw pitcher of the St. Paul club, who has been branded as an undesirable by some big league executives, promised tonight to feature a National league.

SQUIRE EDGEGATE — Notification, Perspiration, Taxation and Expiration—Yes, All of This Happened!

BY LOUIS RICHARD



tomorrow's spring meeting of the Herrman, whose deal for the purchase of Benton, an ex-big leaguer, has been held up as a result of opposition to the pitcher's return, spent today trying at length with officials of both the New York and Boston National league clubs and expressed the opinion that after the matter had been adjusted, he would obtain the southpaw.

RECOVER BODIES OF MANY DEAD MINERS

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at this time that no miners still remained alive in the mine. The cause of the explosion has not yet been determined, it was also stated.

Devastation Complete
The shattered debris-choked interior of the blast wrecked mine was viewed this afternoon by a correspondent of the Associated Press. Utter devastation was wrought by the terrific force of the detonation. Torn from the roof as if clawed away by a brooding giant's hand, gigantic blocks of slate, coal and rock litter the passageways, piled in helter-skelter confusion in the dark tunnel through which the rescue crews for four days have been laboring with the bodies of their unfortunate comrades.

That members of the working crews have not been injured or killed by falling debris during that period is little short of miraculous. That they have been able to extricate more than 80 bodies from the cluttered tunnels is amazing in the opinion of mining men.

The recovery crews tonight were tapping the tenth artery to the south of the main entrance.

Much Labor Ahead
It will require several months to clean out the fall of rock, re-timber the ground and get the mine ready for production, according to mine officials.

In a statement tonight, General Manager Heckett declared: "Every provision possible is being made for those left destitute. The company has everything in hand and a corps of competent workers has been assigned to that task."

"The loss of human life is the one thing in the explosion that is of the greatest moment to us. It has been regrettable beyond all words and we deeply deplore it."

"We are determined, if humanly possible, to discover the cause of the explosion that we may guard against the recurrence of such a disaster in the future in our properties."

Cause Not Known

"Every safeguard that human knowledge and expert advice could throw about the men in the mines had been adopted here, up to the point where the human equation entered into the problem. Beyond that point, of course, administration intelligence cannot extend. We have withheld nothing in this emergency. All of the facts within our knowledge have been revealed. The mine has been thrown open to unbiased and impartial experts from other fields and the state and federal inspectors. If the exact cause of the explosion can be determined we are more anxious than any one else that it be revealed."

Payment of compensation and death claims by the Phelps-Dodge corporation to widows and families of miners killed in the explosion started today.

Investigation of officials who made protracted trips through the mine during the day failed to reveal the cause of the blast, they announced tonight.

If Emile Cone is so wise in his auto-suggestion we should like to see him get busy on the European situation.—Exchange.

Bearcats Fall Victims of Missionaries, 30 to 13

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 12.—Whitman college tonight added another scalp to the missionary belt by defeating Williamette university basketball team by a score of 30 to 13.

Schroeder and York of Whitman made 12 and 10 goals respectively and Logan of Williamette made 10 for his team.

SEE HOPE FOR MARKET ROADS

House Bill 132, Providing for Construction, Is Before Senate Committee.

In house bill No. 132, introduced by Representative Loyal M. Graham of Washington county, the up-state communities of Oregon profess to see their greatest hope of securing adequate market roads. The bill has been passed by the house and is now before the senate committee on roads and highways.

Under the provisions of this bill, according to its proponents, the state is merely keeping its promise to the great body of farmers who gave their support to the highway bond issue voted by the state, on the assurance that after the main trunk highways were built the market roads would be constructed by the highway commission.

Bonds Issued

On this assurance the counties have issued bonds for road construction purposes, amounting to \$21,976,444. Of this amount the counties have spent for the preparation of state highway base, grades and drainage a total of \$12,747,047.94, divided as follows: Paid through the highway commission \$6,747,047.94, construction contracted for and not yet completed \$3,000,000, and spent by the counties (estimated) but not reported through the commission, \$3,000,000.

Graham's bill provides that as the state highway bonds are redeemed, the money intended for such redemption shall be apportioned to the counties in the proportion that they have expended it for state highway construction, and the bonds re-issued. This would call for the re-issuance of \$15,433,250 of bonds to be retired between now and 1933, of which amount only such bonds would be sold as would take care of the counties, or approximately \$13,000,000.

To insure accurate distribution the bill provides that the counties shall submit a statement of their expenditures for state roads to the highway commission which shall be checked by that body and used as a basis of distribution.

WATERPOWER IN CANADA IS GREAT

Only Six Per Cent of Available Supply Developed, Say Statistics.

Yesterday in Legislature

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Selection of New Herrin Jury Is Underway Again

MARION, Ill., Feb. 12.—(By The Associated Press.)—Selection of a jury began late today to try six men on charges of murder in the second trial of the Herrin mine riots last June in which 25 persons were killed.

Four jurors were accepted tentatively by the state after the first panel of veniremen had been exhausted. A new panel of 50 veniremen was ordered summoned for tomorrow by Judge D. T. Hartwell, of Williamson county circuit court.

Eighteen men originally were docketed to face charges of first degree murder in connection with the death of Antonio Mulkovich of Erie, Pa., a mine guard in the second trial, but prosecution counsel this afternoon dropped the indictments against all but six of the defendants.

U of O Freshmen and Chemawa Will Wrestle

A wrestling program that ought to be worth going miles to see, is to be put on Thursday afternoon at the Salem Indian school, when the Chemawa boys take on the wrestling squad of the Oregon university freshmen for a finish battle.

Last year the Indians came near crippling the whole high school fraternity up and down the valley in the few wrestling meets they staged. The Indians were not particularly well up in the science of the game, but they had the strength to make them formidable antagonists. This year, Ellis White, former Salem high school instructor and heavyweight star, is giving the Indians regular instructions, and he reports that they are developing amazingly. Only a few of last year's wrestling squad are back this year, but he has a lot of other good men who he believes will well outshine the team a year ago. One of the best men is Hawk, captain of the squad, a hard antagonist at 158 pounds. Pettelin, at 140, was good last year, but is said to be far better now. They will stage a full line of contests, from 110 pounds up to 158 pounds, the middleweight limit.

The program opens at 3:30, and Salem visitors are urged to buy a half dollar's worth of experience in seeing the two teams in action.

The European premiers must be getting tired of seeing so much of each other by this time.

WASHINGTON WINS

PULLMAN, Wash., Feb. 12.—A last minute goal, thrown from under the basket by Heaketh, gave the University of Washington basketball team a 31 to 29 victory over that of Washington State college here tonight. The game was a see-saw affair, with WSC at the long end of a 17-14 score at half time.

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Legion Takes on Mount Angel College Tonight

Salem is to see another real college basketball game tonight, for one of the opponents will be Mt. Angel college. The other players will be the Salem American legion quintet, who have been going well enough to take on some good outsiders. They had a game scheduled with the McMinnville American legion, but the near-visitors had to flunk the battle, and the Mt. Angel collegians were secured instead. The game starts at 8 o'clock and the tax will be only 25 cents a head for spectators.

For the locals, Radcliffe, Hendricks and Melchior will serve as guards; Elliott and Proctor as forwards, and Russell Bonesteels and Lieske as centers. The strength of the visitors is not known here, and the game is still in the speculative stage. Kasberger, coach of the collegians, was a noted athlete in OAC, and it is expected that he will have passed on some of his skill to his proteges.

Grist of House Bills Is Past by the Senate

The following house bills were passed by the senate yesterday:

- H. B. 31, Cozy—Relating to the sale of dairy bulls.
- H. B. 196, Lackey—Prohibiting livestock from running at large in Malheur county.
- H. B. 110, Meindl—Permitting half holidays to certain county employees of counties having 100,000 population or more.
- H. B. 62, Wheeler—To provide for county high school funds which may be adopted by the district boundary board in each county.
- H. B. 317, Ezell—Relating to fixing of school district boundaries.

H. B. 40, Buchanan—Relating to payment of tax on portion of property assessed as a whole.

H. B. 96, Meindl—Relating to filing of bonds by warehousemen.

H. B. 304, Committee on forestry and conservation—Providing for safeguards in logging operations.

H. B. 157, Hammond—Providing for calling special elections to meet certain local conditions.

H. B. 253, Cramer (by request)—To allow state lime board to sell lime to the farmers on time.

H. B. 263, Cramer (by request)—Providing for eradication of black currents and barberries.

H. B. 111, Lackey—To make islands in navigable rivers separate bridge districts.

H. B. 255, Lane county delegation—To relieve the University of Oregon from paying taxes on ground occupied by school of music.

H. B. 238, Lee—For better enforcement of prohibition laws, providing for punishment of officers who lawfully make use of confiscated liquor.

H. B. 92, Wheeler—To provide punishment for permitting livestock to run at large.

H. B. 284, Carkin—Relating to road taxes and allocation of funds.

H. B. 320, Joint committee on military affairs—Extending time for making applications for cash bonus under bonus and loan act to December 31, 1923, and providing that final application may be made up to June 30, 1927.

EAST OUTLOOK HELD BRIGHTER

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congress, thus postponing the conferences which were expected to be held immediately upon Ismet's reaching Constantinople.

The fact that a Russian soviet minister has also gone to Smyrna has caused comment in view of insistent reports of the conclusion of a Russo-Turkish agreement at Lausanne.



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