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APPROPRIATION BILLS PLANNED IN JOINT MEET

Proposed Measures to Be Presented This Week; Committee Works Hard

BUDGETS CUT \$750,000

\$25,000 Added by Committee at Request of Governor Patterson for Conducting State Budget Department

Most of the appropriation bills will be ready for presentation to the legislature some time before Friday, according to indications of the work done by the joint ways and means committee before they adjourn until Monday. This is contrary to most sessions, for as a rule these important bills are held up until nearly the last day, when they are rushed through and given scant attention.

This committee has been meeting nearly every evening and have lopped off approximately \$750,000 from the amounts of the various state budgets as recommended by the commission.

Some time during the week the committee will be called upon to pass on several capital outlay requests, and as these requested appropriations are large, they may soon lower the amount cut off from the budgets.

Among the proposed capital outlays requested by the Oregon state hospital are two buildings which it was estimated would cost approximately \$225,000. One of these buildings would replace the present industrial structure, while the other would provide accommodations for the nurses employed at the institution. It was said that the latter building would be a two-story structure.

The committee will be asked to appropriate \$175,000 for the erection of a new building.

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COLIDGE WANTS ADEQUATE ARMY

MILITARIST AND PACIFIST HELD PERIOD'S STATES SHOULD STRIVE TO ELIMINATE COMPETING INFLUENCES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29. (AP)—President Coolidge told members of his cabinet, heads of various government bureaus, and hundreds of subordinate officials who gathered tonight in Memorial Continental hall that both militarists and pacifists are dangerous to the continued peace and prosperity of the nation.

"What we need, and all that we need for national protection is adequate preparedness," he said. "I am for adequate military preparedness. As commander in chief of the army and of the navy, the chief executive of this nation has an emphatic responsibility for this phase of our welfare."

During his talk the president said the United States should bend every effort to eliminate forever competition in armament, pointed out that the nation was ahead of its debt reduction schedule, complimented congress for its support of the budget principles, and reiterated that it was too early to determine whether further tax reduction is feasible.

After his address, the president remained to hear a speech by Budget Director Lord, who said that a \$1,000,000,000 public debt retirement this fiscal year was in prospect.

BRICK BUILDING SELLS

Ten Year Lease Given H. L. Stiff on Property by Owners

Harlan C. White and Floyd M. White of the White Feed store, have purchased the Eoff & Delano block located at 151 North Main street. The new owners have made a lease on the property for ten years to H. L. Stiff, who will occupy it. It is rumored that the purchase price is around \$40,000. The deal was handled by W. H. Grabenhorst & Co. realtors.

The building is opposite the court house, next to the stage terminal.

SENATE TO FACE GRIND THIS WEEK

COMMITTEE DIVIDED ON AUTO LICENSE MEASURE

Nine Senate And 16 House Bills Ready For Final Attention On Monday

The members of the senate adjourned Friday until Monday and when they return to the regular routine at that time they will find a great amount of work confronting them. There are nine senate bills and 16 house bills up for final consideration and then there will be a number of resolutions and memorials presented.

One of the first bills, which will occupy their attention, will be one from the house which provides for the transfer of the county seat of Jackson county from Jacksonville to Medford. Representative Briggs of Ashland introduced the bill and it was approved by the house. Practically all of the Southern Oregon group favors this transfer and a majority of the voters favored it at the last general election. The election later was attacked in the supreme court, with the result that it was held to be invalid. It was this court decision that inspired Representative Briggs to seek legislative action.

A partial survey of the senate indicated that the bill would be approved when placed on third reading.

It was reported yesterday that the bill introduced by Senator Upton providing that county sheriffs shall distribute motor vehicle licenses plates, would be returned from the committee with a divided report. In this event, a lengthy debate is sure to ensue. The present law provides that the secretary of state shall distribute these license plates. Senator Upton de-

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CASE BAFFLES OFFICERS

Mrs. King Sustained No Injuries; Suffered from Shock

No shot was heard by Mrs. Lyda King, local nurse, when the windshield of her car was broken, causing her to turn off the highway and stop shortly before she was found unconscious behind the wheel early Thursday morning near the Pacific highway a mile north of Salem.

According to Mrs. King's story, she was driving home when the windshield was suddenly broken, causing her to turn off of the road and stop suddenly. She got out of the car, but from that point on remembers nothing, she said.

The local police have abandoned the case, having failed after two days of inquiry to learn anything which might shed further light on the supposed mystery.

Mrs. King, who sustained no injuries, but is suffering from shock, will be able to leave the hospital by Monday, it is reported.

SMITH FIGHTS FOR SEAT

Report Recommending Admission To Senate Being Prepared

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29. (AP)—An immediate partial report recommending the seating as a senator of Frank L. Smith was urged today by counsel for him and for the state of Illinois, but action was deferred by the senate elections committee until Wednesday.

Opening formal hearings on the case, the committee listened to five hours of argument and appeal by James M. Beck, former solicitor general of the United States, who appeared voluntarily; Oscar Carlstrom, attorney general of Illinois, representing his state, and C. J. Doyle, of Springfield, Ill., personal counsel for the senator-designate.

YESTERDAY IN WASHINGTON

Senate democrats engaged in a Smith-McAdoo, wet-dry debate.

The house approved the compromise radio control bill.

Three cruisers were ordered to Hawaii for possible use in China.

An anti-dumping order against German pig iron importations was issued.

A senate vote on the cruiser amendment to the naval bill was deferred.

Representative James of Michigan denounced army engineers at a Muscle Shoals hearing.

Arguments in behalf of Frank L. Smith of Illinois were presented to the senate elections committee.

STORM'S DEATH TOLL MOUNTING OVER ENGLAND

Latest Count Gives 20 Dead With Hundreds Injured by Flying Debris

SCOTLAND HARDEST HIT

London Visited By Severe Winter Thunderstorm; Telephone Lines Disabled; Ships Battered By Seas

LONDON, Jan. 29. (AP)—The death toll of the great rain and wind storm which swept Great Britain from the south of England to the northern tip of Scotland yesterday and today, tonight had reached 20 with fully 300 injured by flying debris.

Nineteen of the deaths were in Scotland alone, while one was in Armagh, Ireland, the latter being killed by a falling roof.

In the course of the day further damage was reported while despatches from more remote towns showed the great extent of the storm area.

Early this morning London was visited by a winter thunderstorm of unprecedented severity during which hundreds of wireless aerials, trees, fences and chimney pots were hurled through the air. Several persons were injured by falling shop signs and pieces of masonry.

On the Bridge road a shoofly of modishly dressed wax dummies, complete with the latest garb, were hurled about the roadway.

Almost 150 long distance telephone lines in England and seven of the 18 Paris lines were disabled. Although a torrential rain fell in London, Scotland and northern England had a regular blizzard which added to the difficulty.

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TALKING MOVIES SHOWN IN EAST

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY OFFICIALS DEMONSTRATE

Sound Recording Apparatus to Merge With Camera; Music Put on Films

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Jan. 29. (AP)—Talking motion pictures in which the tones of the performers were synchronized perfectly with the action of the silver screen and which are produced by a new and different process, were demonstrated by officials of the General Electric company in a theater here today.

The demonstration was in two forms. In one, the sound recording apparatus was merged with the motion picture camera and both the audible and the visible were imprinted simultaneously on the film. In the other, the incidental music for one of the latest "first run" films was recorded on an undeveloped print of the feature picture.

When reproduced today, the strains of the 100-piece orchestra permeated every inch of the auditorium, with the deep low notes of the tubas, bass viols and bassoons easily identified. Heretofore, the chief difficulty in tone reproduction and amplification has been to make audible the low frequency tones.

The new process, called by its inventors the "photo-phone," is a combination of the motion picture projector and the pallophone, a device invented by Dr. C. A. Foxie of the General Electric company's research staff. The pallophone makes a photographic print by means of a vibrating beam of light on the strip of film. When run through the reproducing machine, the vibrating beam of light re-translates the photographic sound record into audible tones.

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HARTLEY HAS TROUBLE

Washington Legislature Out After Scarp Of Governor

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 29. (AP)—Factional conflicts which disrupted the extraordinary session of the Washington state legislature last winter, resulting in political upheaval over policies of Governor Roland H. Hartley, have been renewed by the overriding of an executive veto and the rejection of six of 10 recess appointments.

The end of the third week of the 20th session of the legislature today found it "head over heels" in work, with the general opinion expressed that the allotted 60 days for legislating would be taken up.

Pesterday the battle was apparently launched when Governor Hartley's appointments came before the senate.

COMMITTEE TO INSPECT

Fair Board Requested an Appropriation of \$200,000

A sub-committee of the joint ways and means committee tomorrow will make a thorough inspection of the state fair plant. Special inspection will be made of the grandstand, which was constructed many years ago. The fair board has requested an appropriation of \$100,000 to care for maintenance costs during the biennium, and an additional \$100,000 for capital outlays and improvements.

KOZER MAY BE BUDGET CHIEF

SECRETARY OF STATE WIDELY HUMORED FOR OFFICE

Salary of \$5000 Goes With Position Created by Proposed Measure

Sam A. Kozier, secretary of state is being rumored as the man who will probably be appointed by Governor Patterson as state budget director, whose salary will probably be fixed at \$5000 a year.

The joint ways and means committee last Thursday night approved a bill providing the governor shall be state budget director, and the bill will probably be reported out early next week. It was originated at the request of the executive department and carries an appropriation of \$25,000.

It was argued by friends of Governor Patterson that the secretary of state would not be adverse to accepting the position of budget director for the reason that he probably would be retained in that capacity for a period of four years. Mr. Kozier's term as secretary of state expires December 31, 1928, and he is inhibited by law from becoming a candidate for the office at that time.

In event the position of state budget director should be tendered to Mr. Kozier it would be necessary for him to resign as secretary of state. This would allow the governor to appoint Mr. Kozier's successor, who would serve for a term of two years. C. M. Laughridge, deputy secretary of state, probably would be a candidate for the office to succeed Mr. Kozier.

A rumor was current here during the past few days that E. J. Adams of Eugene also was being considered by Governor Patterson for budget director. Mr. Adams previously served as secretary to United States Senator Stanfield, and has held other positions of trust. He was a member of Oregon's original state highway commission.

Governor Patterson said today that he had not yet selected a state corporation commissioner to succeed W. E. Crews, incumbent. There are a number of candidates for this position. Among these

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INVITED TO LUNCHEON

Ways and Means Committee to Inspect Penitentiary Work

Members of the joint ways and means committee have accepted an invitation for luncheon at the state penitentiary Tuesday noon. The invitation was extended to the committee by Warden Lillie. While at the prison the committee will be taken through the state flax plant and other industries.

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U. S. WARSHIPS ORDERED READY FOR EMERGENCY

Three Cruisers Sent to Honolulu in Case of Necessity in China

EACH CARRIES 150 MEN

Kellogg Still Ready to Start Negotiations With Chinese in Case Peking and Cantonese Men Agree

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29. (AP)—Despite "reasonably hopeful" prospects of treaty negotiations with China seen by Secretary Kellogg, three additional American warships were dispatched to Honolulu today on stand-by orders.

They will be quickly available there in the event of serious disorders at Shanghai to supplement the naval forces on the Chinese coast, to rush marines from the Philippines to China or to take aboard Americans, should evacuation of the international settlement become necessary.

Each ship could land about 150 men from its own crew in an urgent emergency.

The ships are the light cruisers Cincinnati, Marblehead and Richmond, all modern high speed vessels of the 7500-ton class, with long cruising radius on oil fuel. The first two are now at Balboa, assigned to the special service squadron commanded by Rear Admiral Julian Latimer, in Nicaragua charge of naval forces in Nicaraguan waters. The Richmond is at Guantanamo, Cuba, and is assigned to the scouting fleet in the Atlantic.

The cruiser trio will assemble in Honolulu under the flag of Rear Admiral John R. Y. Blakeley aboard the Cincinnati as flagship. They will wait orders for further movement from Washington.

Admiral Blakeley has the advantage of having received his instructions in person at the navy department. He left Washington tonight for San Francisco and will sail February 5 from that port for Honolulu to assume command of his emergency squadron which will be held at the call of Admiral Williams, commanding the Asi-

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FINANCE PROBLEM COMES TO FRONT

SOLONS FACE HARD GRIND; PEACE REIGNS SO FAR

Film Censor Bill Introduced Stronger Than Ever; Probes Quiet Now

The forming of some definite tax and finance program for the state is occupying the attention of the legislators and the governor over the week-end. When they return to their duties Monday several new solutions will no doubt be offered. It is understood that nothing definite will be put forward until after the governor delivers his special message to the joint session of the houses on Tuesday or Wednesday.

After the message is given no doubt the legislators will settle down to the regular grind of attempting to find a solution of the Oregon tax problem. So far the various committees have put in some long hours on the question; but nothing tangible has been found. This does not mean that tax bills have not been forthcoming.

In fact many and varied are the tax bills, which have been dumped into the legislative hopper. Some of them are worthless and some have their good points. The corporate excess tax and an income tax on partnerships and individuals seem to be meeting with favor right now. It may be that they are favored as a compromise in getting away from the old income tax laws, which have caused so many storms in Oregon during the past few years.

Nearly everyone is agreed that the state of Oregon must have a greater revenue and so there must be new sources of said revenue. These new sources may be found in the corporate excess tax and in the tax on intangibles. As this question pushes forward in the legislature blocs are beginning to appear and will make every effort

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CHAPLIN ATTORNEY SUED

Effort Being Made to Find Out About Charlie's Finances

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 29. (AP)—Contempt proceedings against Lloyd Wright, attorney for Charlie Chaplin, will be asked Monday by Lyndal L. Young, attorney for Lita Grey Chaplin, in her suit for divorce, in an attempt to force Wright to reveal what he knows of the comedian's finances and dealings.

Young's intention to appeal for court action against Wright was announced by him after Chaplin's attorney had appeared today in response to a subpoena ordering him to make a deposition, but refused to answer any of the more than 200 questions fired at him. To each question he replied that his knowledge of the comedian's affairs was gained in the relationship of counsel and client, and therefore privileged.

COFFEY LOCKED IN JAIL

Bigamist Now Faces a Murder Charge for Baseball Bat Death

LANCASTER, Wis., Jan. 29. (AP)—Eight days of investigation which unfolded the tragic romance of Mrs. Hattie Hales Coffey, brought her bigamist husband, William M. Coffey, to a cell in the Grant county jail tonight, facing the prospect of a murder trial for the crime.

Failing to definitely point out to authorities the spot in Grant county where he confessed slaying his second wife with a baseball bat while camping, Coffey was brought to the jail here and turned over to Sheriff Ray Morse, who said he would serve the prisoner with a warrant charging first degree murder.

OIL COMPANIES PLEASSED

"Amparo" From Mexico Affords Satisfaction

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 29. (AP)—Dispatches from Tampico say that the foreign oil interests there are greatly pleased at the success of the Transcontinental Oil company in obtaining "definite amparo" from the district court at Villa Guatemoc, Vera Cruz.

By the amparo, it is understood that the oil company has obtained what amounts to a permanent injunction restraining the operation of the new Mexican petroleum law, so far as that company is concerned, until the supreme court renders a final decision on the constitutionality of the law.

The dispatches say that the oil interests consider the district court's decision an important precedent.

CRUISEMAN LEADS TOURNEY

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Jan. 29. (AP)—Bobby Cruikshank of Purchase, N. Y., with a total of 144, led the field tonight at the start of the first 36 holes of the 72 hole Texas open gold tournament.

INVESTIGATORS' REPORT OF TEXT BOOKS SOON DUE

Committee to Recommend Consolidation of Several State Departments

PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD

Another Probe at This Session May Center on Activities of Certain Insurance Corporations

One public hearing has been held in the investigation of the affairs of the state text book commission and the state department of education, and it is understood that some time during the week the special committee, appointed from the legislature to make the probe, will be ready to submit their report.

Senator Joseph introduced the resolution in the senate which brought about the investigation. He urged the investigators to probe the text book adoption situation and the fact that the board of education had so far failed to sign contracts with publishers.

A public hearing was held in the senate chamber here Thursday night when a dozen or more witnesses were questioned. Among these witnesses was R. R. Turner, ex-state superintendent of public instruction and until recently a member of the state text book commission. Mr. Turner said that he was of the opinion that undue influence had been used in connection with the text book adoptions. This opinion, he said, was based on rumors and conversations with a number of agents employed by the text book publishers.

Mr. Turner alleged that Milton A. Miller of Portland, chairman of the text book commission and

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SHANGHAI HAS WHITE COLONY

MORE THAN 300 AMERICANS LIVE IN METROPOLIS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29. (AP)—Old Shanghai, prize of the impending clash between warring Chinese factions and chief center of foreign concern in the Orient, shelters a cosmopolitan American colony, many members of which are residents of years' standing, proprietors of valuable holdings and employers on a big scale.

Since the British opened the port to foreign trade, American enterprise has taken deep root in Shanghai. Of the 37,753 foreigners in the international settlement, there, more than 3,000 are Americans, representing heavy investments, and not a few would be a complete loss if they were suddenly uprooted and compelled to find new occupations and homes elsewhere.

Shanghai, in this respect, differs decidedly from the population centers in other areas of aggressive China. Except for a few cities, Americans and other foreigners have seen fit for the most part to stay out of the interior regions. Those who have ventured there, in the majority, have been missionaries and those are reported in most instances to have made their way recently to the port cities and to safety.

It is natural for Washington government officials who are carefully surveying the war zone in China and the nation as a whole to be chiefly concerned over the Shanghai situation. They regard that their major duty here and if the expected battle between the warring factions takes place it will be most difficult to impossible, to safeguard the lives and properties of American in Shanghai.

A survey of that city, however, enterprises reveals, contrary to the popular impression, that Americans are engaged for the most part in the industrial field. There are numerous factories in Shanghai which, in the aggregate, employ thousands of natives. These include tanneries, leather factories, concerns devoted to clothing and decorative work, and other productions, and other

