

STATE COMMISSION FILES DEMURRER

Action Begins on Oregon Stages Case Against New Passenger Taxation

The public service commission has filed a demurrer to the action instituted in the circuit court by Oregon Stages, Inc. and Parker stage lines last week on the grounds that the complaint fails to state sufficient facts to constitute a case.

The action, filed January 27 by John A. Logan of Portland, attorney for the plaintiffs, claims that the tax levied against the stage lines at the general election last fall is unconstitutional, being unfair, arbitrary, oppressive, and confiscatory.

An affidavit filed in the case, representatives of stage and freight companies, led by Mr. Logan, fought a losing fight in a session of the house committee on roads and highways the same day, in an attempt to secure favorable action on house bill 123 which would have discontinued the three-fourths mill per passenger mile tax now in force. As a substitute, a two percent gross income tax would have been levied.

HB 123 was prepared by the Oregon automobile council and was solidly supported by stage and freight companies. The tax clause of the bill was not strongly opposed but the feature which gave the companies a certificate of public necessity and convenience was described as a symbol of monopoly.

Defeated in their attempt to secure favorable action through the legislature, the two companies are carrying on their case in the circuit court. The attorney general's office is defending the public service commission.

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PATTERSON AX FALLS

GOVERNOR VETOS FIRST BILL, SALARY INCREASE

Governor Patterson, in line with his economy premises made prior to the general election, today vetoed a bill introduced by Senator Davis providing for increasing the salary of the county treasurer of Malheur county from \$1200 to \$1,500 a year. Senators accepted the veto to mean that other similar bills passed at the present session of the legislature will receive executive disapproval.

"I am returning, herewith, senate bill No. 47 without my approval," read the governor's veto message. "This bill is a salary increase measure, and under its provisions the increase would be effective during the term of the incumbent."

"Due to the acute financial situation of the counties and the state, and because of an insistent demand from taxpayers in all sections that salaries of public officials be not increased, I am vetoing this particular bill."

"However, did the act not contemplate raising the salary until after the expiration of the term of the incumbent, I believe that I would have been inclined to sign it."

This was the first bill passed during the present session of the legislature that has been vetoed by Governor Patterson.

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Union Services Scheduled to Start in South Salem

The Leslie Memorial Methodist Episcopal church and the South Salem Friends church commence a union revival meeting at Leslie church Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. They have engaged the services of the Rev. L. J. Miller D. D. of Nashville, Tenn. Mr. Miller will be present tonight and preach the opening service. At the close of the service a reception is planned in the basement of the church. It is to be "legitimate" night. The rolls of both churches are to be called and the members to respond with a hearty "Amen."

Mrs. Pearl Peary will have charge of the music and sing at every service. Other special music will also be given. At the reception a short program will be given and the ladies of the two churches will serve refreshments. The two pastors, J. Willard De Yoe and C. C. Haworth, extend a most cordial invitation to everybody to attend all these services.

Walter Auto Co., Ferry at Liberty St. Autos, street and bought and sold. Cars washed and waxed and light. Low prices and service will make long friends. (*)

WARLIKE SCENES AS BRITISH MARINES DEPART



Photo shows British marines marching down to the docks at Portsmouth, England; to embark for Shanghai, China, amid scenes reminiscent of the World War.

COUNTY NEWS BRIEFS

Scotts Mills

N. Schmalz was in Portland Wednesday on business.

George Haynes visited his mother in Silverton several days during the week.

J. O. Dixon was in Silverton Thursday afternoon on business.

Mrs. W. T. Hogg and daughter Doris returned home from Salem, Tuesday evening where they visited relatives for several days. Miss Lorraine Hogg, who was quite sick the past week was much improved when Mrs. Hogg returned home.

Leslie Ramsey and his sister of Salem visited relatives here Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Ramsey seems to be getting along nicely since having his leg amputated 2 months ago.

Mrs. Wm. Willman and son Henry, and daughter Miss Blondena, and Mr. and Mrs. Ruben De Jardin, attended the funeral of Mrs. Catherine Aicher in Woodburn Thursday morning.

Mrs. Chas. Hartman and Mrs. Chas. McConnell were in Silverton Friday afternoon on business.

The R. N. A. Club met at the home of Mrs. Jim Shepherd on the Alcona, Friday afternoon. A chicken dinner was served at noon. All reported having a splendid time. The next meeting to be at the home of Mrs. Olive Shutt, March 4.

Mrs. J. H. Kinser was in Salem Saturday on business.

Liberty

The Forensic society met Friday after recess in Mr. Hoag's room at school with the president, Ellen Newsom, in the chair. Helen Adams acted as secretary in the absence of Oscar Berndt.

The following officers were elected: Dorothy Coffey, president; Gene Mumford, vice president; Veneta Rains, secretary.

A committee of three was appointed to wait upon Mr. Hoag to see if it would be possible for the eighth and ninth grades to attend the legislature some afternoon before this session closes.

The following program was well rendered:

Vocal solo, "Let Me Call You Sweetheart," Franklin Hawkins. Talk, "Alaska," Helen Adams. Reading, Veneta Rains. Piano solo, Dorothy Browning. Vocal solo, "Beautiful Home of the Rose," Dorothy Coffey.

Talk, "Silk," Walter Anderson. Dialogue, Verda Rains and Lenora Adams. Vocal solo, "Sweet Baby Nell," Orpha May Dash.

Talk "Patrick Henry," Verda Rains. Reading, "Comfort," Beatrice Plummer.

Vocal solo, "Until I Say Good-Bye," Ellen Newsom. Joke, Richard Allen. Reading, Walter Anderson. Chorus, a parody, "Every Body's Got the Mumps."

The program committee deserves much credit for the excellent program, as they had to rearrange it several times on account of so many pupils being out ill with mumps, chickenpox, or pink-eye.

An error was made in the figures stating the result of the special school election held here February 1, to find out the will of the people concerning the ninth grade—whether to keep it in the school or not. The result of the votes should have read 47 to 17 in favor of the ninth grade. A straw vote was taken to see what the people thought about adding the 10th grade. This vote was 43 for, and only a few against it. Miss Jessie King, the intermediate teacher, who is out of school on account of having the mumps, is now able to sit up and will leave in a few days for her home near Silverton, where she will remain until able to resume her duties. Mrs. Carl Martin of Salem is substituting for Miss King. Beginning next Monday the school will have an hour noon recess again.

Still more cases of mumps and chickenpox have thinned our ranks at school. Four new cases were reported Monday morning.

Word has been received from Miss Rebecca Smith, who has been spending the winter in California, that she will be home in a few weeks she will visit in Klamath Falls on her way home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Adams and family visited at Dallas Sunday. Next Friday Sunnyside will entertain the neighboring community clubs.

Bessie Brown has recently entered school here. She came from Hall's Ferry and is in the eighth grade.

Mrs. Mize is recovering from an attack of the mumps. The Liberty pupils will enjoy a valentine box Feb. 14th.

Quality painting, both varnish and lacquer work, in our modern equipped paint shop. Washing, greasing, and night service; tire repairs; Wood's Auto Service. (*)

Centerview-Evergreen

Ferdinand Rue purchased a Chevrolet car this week.

The Willard Women's Club held their regular meeting last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Harold Roop.

Mrs. L. R. Herrick was called to Eastern Oregon Monday by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. McKillop, who suffered a stroke last week.

Karl Haberly is having quite a time with his knee. While running he slipped into a hole and wrenched the knee. He has it taped so he can not bend it. He says it is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Newton of Oakville Washington, were last week guests at the Edson Comstock home. The two families were friends back in Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Comstock spent Thursday at the Haysvick home. The Comstock's left Friday for Sutherlin to visit a brother and will then start on their return trip to their Michigan home. They are traveling by car.

Mildred Egan accompanied the Silverton H. S. basketball team to Moonmouth Saturday. She is a substitute.

Rev. and Mrs. S. W. Hall of McMinnville spent the first three days of the week visiting the Edson Comstock home. Rev. Hall had purchased a Ford sedan and was learning to drive it.

A message from Mrs. L. R. Herrick, Saturday, stated that her mother had passed away Friday.

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Pringle

The Ever Ready Sunday school class had a social at the school house Friday night. There were 16 people present. After playing games, sandwiches were served.

Mr. Allenbo and family moved their belongings to town the last of the week.

Mr. Robert is hauling wood to Salem. The road just north of Pringle on the hill side, is being badly cut up now, as it has been thoroughly soaked.

Mr. Smith is assisting Mr. Hillflicker in preparing his prune dryer outfit for the coming season.

Mr. Varleys and family have moved out of the vicinity.

Edward Gillingham has been elected secretary-treasurer of the Battle Creek Telephone company. The directors made an assessment of \$5 share on phone stock for maintenance.

William Propst will set as line man for the Battle Creek Telephone company for this year.

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Improvement district. HB 227, by repeals committee. Relating to cooperative banks. HB 103, by Billingsley—Relating to depositories for county funds. HB 288, by repeals committee. Relating to tax supervising committee. HB 284, by repeals committee. Relating to tax investigating committee. HB 31, by Potter—Providing for increase of salaries of Lane county officials. HB 145, by repeals committee. Relating to issuance of diplomas by Eugene Divinity school. HB 209, by Miller—Relating to who may be excused from jury service. HB 216, by Collier—Relating to investment of school fund by state land board. HB 260, by repeals committee. Relating to transfer of certain funds. HB 226, by repeals committee. Relating to speed of vehicles when crossing bridges. HB 259, by repeals committee.

Relating to quarterly reports of state treasurer. HB 141, by Howard—Authorizing state highway commission to acquire land for maintenance of shops and equipment. HB 202, by repeals committee. Relating to publications in foreign languages. HB 83, by McGowan—Relating to abandoned school districts. HB 404, by repeals committee. Relating to duties of clerk of Multnomah county. HB 299, by repeals committee. Relating to circuit court judges. HB 261, by repeals committee. Relating to district attorneys. HB 195, by Hamilton—Providing method of securing water rights. Fry's Drug Store, 230 N. Com'l. the pioneer store. Everything for everybody in the drug supply line, with standard goods and quality service always. (*)

Everything in the book store line, books, stationery, supplies for the home office or school room, at the Commercial Book Store, 143 N. Com'l. (*)

SENATE BILLS

The following new bills were introduced in the senate yesterday:

SB 202, by Upton—Defining and regulating the banking and trust business.

SB 203, by Marks—Relating to fishing or catching crabs in the waters of the state of Oregon.

SB 204, by Eddy—Relating to appointment of board of regents of state normal schools.

SB 205, by Upton—Relating to persons who are entitled to enter old Soldiers' home at Roseburg.

SB 206, by Committee on Medicine and Pharmacy—Relating to chiropractic practice in the state of Oregon.

SB 207, by Joseph—Authorizing the state of Oregon to borrow money from the state industrial accident commission and the state highway department.

Dental Clinic to Open in Salem After 10 Days

The dental clinic, which is being opened in Salem by the Marion County Dental unit, will be in operation in about 10 days. It was reported at Monday's meeting of the dental unit executive committee. Part of the equipment has been installed, and the rest of the equipment and supplies has been ordered. The clinic will be conducted in a portable school building on the Washington school grounds.

The monthly report of Dr. E. L. Brunk, county dental officer, was read. Members of the executive committee who were present included Dr. Carl A. Miller, Dr. Fred Ellis, Dr. Walter H. Brown and Dr. Brunk.

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