

## AGREEMENT ON BROWN POWER BILL REACHED

### Hydro Commission Measure Likely to be up for Enactment Soon

### Amendments Reconcile to Federal law; Utility Objections met

As a result of hearings and conferences yesterday on the Brown power bill known as the hydro-electric commission bill, amendments were agreed to which are expected to bring an early and favorable report from the committee so that its enactment by the legislature may be expected shortly. These amendments served to reconcile divergences between the state and federal power acts and met some of the objections of the utility interests that senate bill No. 62 would stifle development by private interests.

The principal changes made in the bill as approved by Col. A. E. Clark, its author, L. A. Liljeqvist, and E. A. Reames representing the utility companies makes no requirement for a minimum fee for use of the water, leaving the rate to be fixed by the commission up to a maximum of \$1.00 per horsepower per year. May Conform to Federal Statute

The most important amendment however is the one which permits the commission to exempt any company from all provisions of the act except the term of the license and the payment of fees if such modification is necessary to conform to the federal power act or to make it possible for development to go ahead. A change was made in the provisions regarding issuance of securities so the utility will not have to organize separate companies for each project but may cover properties by blanket mortgages. Additional amendments proposed by Senator Eddy were approved which will give consideration to scenic and aesthetic considerations in considering power development, and another (Turn to page 2, col. 5)

## UNEMPLOYED MEN LIST BIG DEMANDS

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 10.—(AP)—Six hundred unemployed men, some of whom admitted they were communists, marched on the city hall here today and demanded the city raise \$1,500,000 to be turned over to them for their relief.

The demand was made by Fred Walker, spokesman, who stood beside Mayor George L. Baker on a soap box outside the city hall.

When Walker had completed his speech he turned to Mayor Baker and asked a direct reply to his demands.

The mayor told him it was illegal and impossible to meet their requests and warned Walker it would be "wise to watch your words because of the large number of Americans listening."

Cash was not the only thing Walker demanded. He said the unemployed wanted free street car rides; demanded the use of the public auditorium for meetings; the use of city property and vacant buildings for housing the unemployed; that no city official should receive more than \$2500 a year in salary; that the police force be cut in half; that the city board funds and the community chest funds be turned over to them; that a special tax be placed on property in excess of \$2500; that interest on sinking funds for city bonds be diverted for relief; that the vagrancy laws be abolished; that all communists now in jail be released.

The demonstration was orderly.

## Negro to Offer Prayer in House

Rev. J. Lyle Gaston, negro pastor of the Mt. Olivet Baptist church in Portland, will offer prayer this morning in the house of representatives.

Rev. Gaston was in town last night to address a meeting of local churchmen. Last night, during the course of his speech, he mentioned that in the early days of the state negroes were prohibited from entering the borders, and that later, once they were in, those of his race could hold no property.

Whether he is the first negro to open a legislative day with prayer is not known.

## Where Men and Horses Burned to Death



Four men were burned to death and blue-blooded horses valued at \$700,000 perished in a spectacular fire which destroyed the temporary stables at the Oakland National horse show at Oakland, Calif., Monday morning. Show officials estimate the loss at over a million dollars. Incendiarism is suspected. Above, a general view of the ruins.

## KINGSLEY ARRIVES AT STATE PRISON

### Long Empty Death Cell now Occupied; Slayer to Hang April 3

James Kingsley, 24, convicted of first degree murder for the killing of Sam Prescott, Ashland police officer, was received at the state penitentiary here last night and immediately placed in a death cell to await execution April 3 at 8:30 a. m.

Kingsley was found guilty last week by a jury in Jackson county and the death penalty was imposed upon him by Judge Norton. He shot and killed Prescott at Ashland, supposedly for revenge on the part of liquor operators suffering from a broken leg, broken arm, dislocated shoulder and fractured hip.

Penitentiary officials said last night that Kingsley had nothing to say upon his arrival. He is a medium-sized young man, about five feet seven inches in height and weighs 155 pounds. His hair is sandy in color.

Thus far since the killing on April 3, Kingsley has appeared. He is unmarried and his parents are thought to live somewhere in the east.

The cell in which he has been placed is in the north cell block of the penitentiary on the ground level of tiers. A death watch is to be kept each night until the execution while in the day time his cell will be under the observation of the chapel guard.

## Wins Bet But He Regrets it Now In The Hospital

QUAPPELLE, Sask., Feb. 10.—(AP)—Henry Sekse, 20, won a bet, but today he is in a hospital suffering from a broken leg, broken arm, dislocated shoulder and fractured hip.

Henry and two friends were walking down the railroad tracks near here last night. An express train approached.

"Get T out of the way on the track the longest," dared Henry. It was a bet. He was just jumping when the engine caught up with him, and tossed him into a ditch. His companions escaped injury.

## Incendiary Origin Of Fire Confirmed

### Blaze Costing 4 Human Lives and 48 Highly Valued Horses, Started in Unoccupied Stall, Officers Disclose

OAKLAND, Cal., Feb. 10.—(AP)—Investigators announced tonight an incendiary started the fire which burned to death four men and at least forty eight horses in the stables of the Oakland horse show yesterday.

Inspector William F. Kyle, in charge of the investigation, made the announcement following posting of a \$1000 reward by Aaron M. Frank of Portland, exhibitor, who lost nine horses in the fire, for the arrest and conviction of the person who started the fire.

While searchers probed the ruins in the possibility of finding more victims, the remains of Seton Mischief, favorite horse of Mrs. Muriel Vanderbilt Church of Newport, R. I., were buried in a remote corner of a Hayward stock farm in a formal ceremony. A tombstone will be erected for the beloved mount, Mrs. Church said.

The bodies of all of the other horses, except five belonging to the National guard which were held pending completion of an investigation, were disposed of at sea.

Kyle based his incendiary theory on the decision that the fire started in an unoccupied stall. Stories of a mystery man and the finding of empty gasoline cans which grooms said they had not seen before, Kyle said, left no doubt in his mind that the fire was the work of a fiend.

The stall in which the fire started, a mystery man pointed out, "was on an aisle from which all horses had been removed Sunday. There was not even anyone sleeping in that vicinity."

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Commissioner Galloway of the state tax commission told the public at a hearing held last night on the intangibles tax law pending before the legislature that the commission favored the retention of the 1929 intangibles tax collected and the collection of that outstanding on the ground that no promise of refunding the tax was made unless all intangible property holders in 1929 could not be treated alike.

He maintained that the revised law would affect equally all intangibles tax owners in 1929. The commissioner also held that intangibles in 1929 were subject to assessment and taxation and thus could legally claim no exemption.

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## ELLIOTT CONFERS WITH CITY CHIEFS

### No Response Made to Offer Renewed on Plant Sale; Council to Consider

President E. C. Elliott of the Oregon-Washington Water Service company arrived in Salem yesterday and held a conference with Mayor Gregory, City Attorney Trindle and members of the council committee on public utilities. Engineer Bear was also present. Mr. Elliott renewed his offer of last summer to sell the water plant to the city on the basis of the company's net investment cost, allowing the city to name one appraiser, the company another and the two to select a third. Or he offered to arbitrate on the basis of the value of the property irrespective of the company's investment cost. He also renewed his offer to complete the filter plant.

The city officials made no response to the tender of Mr. Elliott. They have been in a huddle ever since Judge Hill's decision against the city, and the subject (Turn to page 2, col. 3)

## BARTLETT SAYS HE MAYBE WAS 'USED'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—(AP)—John Bartlett, former assistant postmaster general, testified today before the senate postal lease investigating committee that he had made no attempt to prevent a grand jury investigation of the St. Paul commercial station lease but that he might have been "used" for that purpose.

Charles F. Trotter, who served under Bartlett, told the committee that New, who has asked for an opportunity to appear, probably would be called a week from tomorrow.

Bartlett's testimony concerning the grand jury investigation came while he was questioned by Chairman Blaine about a trip he made to St. Paul in July, 1928, shortly before the grand jury convened.

"Did you have any knowledge whatever," Blaine asked, "of an attempt to prevent a grand jury investigation?"

"No," Bartlett replied. "Nothing whatever of that kind came to my knowledge or was even suspected by me. The only thing of that kind was New's effort to displace Feiler."

## Manley, Lomski Battle To Draw

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 10.—(AP)—George Manley, Denver, and Leo Lomski, Aberdeen, fought ten sizzling rounds to a draw here tonight. They are light heavyweights.

## HUGE ALCOHOL PLANT RAIDED; ARREST THREE

### 500-Gallon Still Designed To Turn out "Straight Stuff" Discovered

### More Arrests Expected by State and County men Watching Premises

State and county prohibition officers made one of the largest wet raids pulled off in the county in the months yesterday afternoon when they invited themselves into the unsuspecting presence of three men manning a 500-gallon alcohol still on the old Joe Shafer farm about midway between Mt. Angel and Woodburn.

The three men were all checked in at the county jail in about 30 minutes after the officers walked in on them. They are: Al Stuppel, who also gave his name as Stupper, George Marquart and George Williams. Williams said he was from Portland.

The arrest was made by "Buck" Marriott of the state force and Deputies Webb Haskins and Walter Barber of the county sheriff's office.

As near as could be determined from the hurried visit yesterday afternoon, alcohol was the only product turned out, only the 500 gallon still and three 1000-gallon vats being in evidence. Two of the huge vats were full of mash and the other was not entirely empty.

Little of product. They indicated on premises. Officers brought in along with the prisoners a five-gallon can of the product, straight alcohol. Evidently the trio had a good market, for this was all the evidence of that nature that could be found.

Officers believed, from impressions (Turn to page 2, col. 5)

## TUALATIN TUNNEL PROJECT BACKED

George W. Lipper, president of the West Side Traffic association told the joint committee on roads and highways last night that his group favored the Tualatin tunnel project and that the bonds issued could have printed across the face of each bond that the state was not connected with issue of the securities.

Proponents of the tunnel project declared that a check had shown a sufficient percentage of people in the districts affected would use the tunnel, to make its construction feasible. They indicated the matter could be financed, although it was admitted in the hearing that eastern capital was first interested in a proposition wherein the state would supervise the work through its highway commission.

Under Senate Bill 195 now pending, the state does not supervise construction or operation, this being done by a tunnel commission of three men from the district served.

"Technical matters" regarding the relation of income to bond interest, and the amount of money left out last night pending a more extensive hearing.

## Marcellus Goes To California Hospital Post

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 10.—(AP)—Dr. M. B. Marcellus, medical officer at the United States Veterans' hospital here for the past six years, has been ordered to report for duty at the United States Veterans' hospital at Palo Alto, Calif., February 16.

Dr. Marcellus formerly was Portland health officer and a member of the state board of health. He served overseas during the war as regimental surgeon of the 162d Infantry and as assistant division surgeon of the 1st division.

Watch Found by Small Class Ad

LOST AND FOUND  
The above ad appeared in Sunday morning's Statesman. By 9 o'clock that morning the watch was returned to its owner.  
People read the classified ads very carefully and astonishing results are obtained at a little cost.  
Use them for your needs today... Call 500  
You will receive the same careful attention as if you called in person.

## Propose to Erect Additions to Two School Buildings

### College Weekly Barred Because Of Broad Humor

### Remaining \$40,000 in Bonds Authorized May be Used

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 10.—(AP)—The annual freshman edition of the Sou'wester, southwestern college campus weekly, has been withheld from the mails because of objectionable matter, the student board of publications disclosed today.

James Hughes, Memphis, editor, accepted responsibility and resigned from the paper.

## COOKING SCHOOL'S DATE DRAWS NEAR

### Starts Next Tuesday; Many Things of Interest to Be Told Housewives

Salem housewives have a real treat in store for them in the gas cooking school, to be held February 17-18-19-20 in the basement of the First Methodist church, corner of Church and State streets, sponsored by The Statesman.

Through the courtesy of the Portland Gas and Coke company Miss Willa Campbell, home economist for the Tappan Stove company, has been secured to conduct these interesting affairs. She will be assisted by Rita Conner, well known home economist of this city. These two young ladies make a wonderful team, for they are fast cooks as well as good cooks, and the lectures should prove to be of great interest to everyone.

At these matinees the modern housewife will be given an opportunity to add to her store of helpful ideas and suggestions. The lectures will be given by Rita Conner and Rita Conner will disclose to them. Ladies who have the reputation of being excellent cooks and housewives are always eager (Turn to page 2, col. 2)

## WOODMEN ORGANIZE PROTECTIVE GROUP

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 10.—(AP)—The Woodmen of the World Old Members' Protective association was formed here today at a meeting attended by 300 delegates from nine western states.

The purpose of the organization, as announced by Adolph Jacobs, San Francisco, who presided at the meeting, is "to commence suit to recover equity in the \$9,000,000 old guarantee fund and to recover for the beneficiaries of the members who were in good standing on April 25, 1929, and who have since died, the amounts due on their certificates."

Jacobs said each state represented will be organized and a conference of attorneys selected will be held in Salt Lake City soon to plan a course of action.

Officers chosen were: Dan Kellaher, Portland, president; Adolph Jacobs, San Francisco, vice-president; I. Friedman, Portland, treasurer; and P. E. Coulter, Portland, secretary.

## Tobacco Tax and Tithing Law Eyed by Committee

Enactment of a tobacco tax that would raise approximately \$750,000 annually, and a so-called tithing law that would return to the state in excess of \$1,500,000 during the biennium, were considered seriously by the joint ways and means committee here last night as a method of wiping out the state deficit now aggregating more than \$4,000,000.

The suggestion also was made by Senator Strayer that all budget requirements for the years 1931 and 1932, as they pertain to salaries, wages and operating expenses of the various state institutions, departments, boards and commissions, be kept within the appropriation authorized for the years 1929 and 1930. Although no definite figures were available, it was estimated that this action on the part of the ways and means committee would save the state many thousands of dollars.

## The Legislative Calendar

<b>HOUSE TODAY</b> Third reading house bills 92, 96, 99, 162, 183, 193, 232, 252, 254, 255, 269, 276	7:30 p. m.—Joint game committees, senate chamber, game code changes.
Third reading senate bills 22, 35, 51, 78, 145	<b>SENATE YESTERDAY</b> Indefinitely postponed Angell bill on Port of Portland commissioners coming up for hearing.
<b>SENATE TODAY</b> Third reading senate bills 37, 56, 61, 63, 110, 116, 117, 210	Indefinitely postponed Woodward measure for appointment by governor of supreme, circuit and district judges.
Third reading house bills 52, 129, 131, 172	Senator Moser fails to move reconsideration on much-debated Angell bill for appointment - election of Port of Portland commissioners.
<b>PUBLIC HEARINGS TODAY</b> 4 p. m.—House bill 236, amending game commission law, room 314. After legislature adjourns, banking a B & C corporation committee hearing on pending legislation. 7 p. m.—Police bill, room 314. 7 p. m.—Basic science bill, room 314.	<b>HOUSE YESTERDAY</b> Old-age pension bill set forward to Thursday at 2 p. m. for final consideration. Agreed to reconsider proposition for diverting tax moneys in Multnomah county for a maintenance of art project.

## Given 18 Autos But Now Steals One; Arrested

CLEVELAND, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Henry Lewis, 19, who said he is heir to \$300,000, and has been given 18 automobiles by his parents and relatives, pleaded guilty in federal court here today to a charge of automobile stealing.

His mother, Mrs. Pearl Lynch, divorced wife of the late H. H. Lewis, founded a Mansfield, Ohio, stove company, said the youth had been raised on "dollars instead of sense."

Federal Court Judge Samuel H. West withheld sentence pending further investigation.

## Unbroken Eggs Break Records

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Unbroken eggs and dragon flies from the carboniferous age have been discovered in the interior of Mongolia by the party of Dr. Sven Hedin, Swedish explorer, he announced upon his return here.

## Dalles Bridge Bill is Passed

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 10.—(AP)—The McNary bill authorizing construction of a bridge across the Columbia at The Dalles, Oregon, was passed by the senate and sent to the house today.