

APPOINTING OF JUDGES LOSES

Proposal for Department of Agriculture Goes To Ways Means

Appointment of supreme, circuit and district judges by the governor, the judges to serve for 10 years, was turned down by the senate yesterday when that body indefinitely postponed Senator Woodward's bill providing for such a change. Senator Eddy declared that it would be dangerous to place the appointment of judges in the hands of the governor unless such appointments covered a life tenure.

Senator Moser referred to the bill as a radical innovation not desired at this time.

Approval was given a bill introduced by the railroads and utilities committee authorizing cities and towns to acquire water rights, operate power plants, and regulate rates for electricity.

Senator Eberhard explained that this bill was introduced to safeguard indebtedness of municipal power plants and stabilize their warrants and bonds.

Senator Burke pointed out that the measure was a part of the general power legislation to be considered at this session of the legislature, and had received the endorsement of the administration.

Agriculture Bill To Ways and Means

An effort to have senate bill 87, providing for a department of agriculture, considered as a special order of business Tuesday afternoon, failed, when Senator Upton moved that it be referred to the joint ways and means committee. Senator Upton declared that the bill provided for the employment of a director at a salary of \$5000 a year and other expenditures which necessitated its approval by the ways and means body.

The bill was introduced by the committee on agriculture. Senator Wheeler, chairman of the senate agricultural committee, made no objection to having the bill referred.

Two other bills postponed indefinitely by the senate today follow:

S. B. 49, by Woodward—Providing that license issued for operation of stands in state buildings be restricted to blind persons.

S. B. 11, by Woodward—Relating to exemption of wages of any debtor.

Governor Signs Five Measures

Governor Meier yesterday signed the following bills:

S. B. 24, by Francisovich—Relating to the sale of real property belonging to estates.

S. B. 25, by Francisovich—Relating to filling vacancies in the offices of county treasurer, county assessor, county surveyor and county commissioner.

S. B. 26, by Francisovich—Relating to filling vacancies in the offices of sheriff, county clerk and coroner.

S. B. 42, by Marks—To define the method of determining the amount of inheritance tax upon gifts and devises of real property which pass to husband and wife as tenants by the entirety.

S. B. 71, by Eddy et al—Repeal of the judicial council law.

Legislative Sidelights

Oregon's 36th Legislative Session Brings Interesting Personages to Salem

JAY BOWERMAN, once governor of the state of Oregon, made his initial appearance under the big dome yesterday, as far as this session is concerned. Bowerman was one of the "original Meier men." He stated at the time of the campaign that he could not support Metchan and turned to Meier as the man he considered the best alternate. Bowerman is a "corporation lawyer" and in his office in Portland reports the sale of small telephone companies, industrial concerns and other business, in an imposing number.

Representative Romeo Gouley, inadvertently named as "Homer" Gouley by this column Monday, feels that there is every likelihood that his bill to change the state fair from the fourth to the third week in September, will carry. The stumbling block heretofore has been the fact that a Spokane fair came on that week but that fair is now out of the way. Gouley knows that the law of averages means better weather at the third than the fourth week in September but he laughingly commented yesterday that about the time the week was changed, Jupiter Pluvius would take a hand and make people, temporarily, discount the wisdom of his bill. In the long run, however, Gouley is sure the state fair is safer as far as weather is concerned, if held earlier in the fall.

The capitol lobby was filled yesterday with a large influx of visitors, many of whom were drawn here by the all-day hearing on the hydro-electric bill and the night hearing on the grange power bill.

Edgar Meresse, editor of the News-Reporter at McMinnville with Mrs. Meresse, was a legislative visitor yesterday. Years ago Mr. Meresse reported on The Statesman and he still speaks the Salem vernacular well enough to recall days when the "Salem hog" was a target for other up-state newspapers to shoot at.

Charles E. Wells has been in the independent telephone business for 34 years ago. When he

FIGHTS GIFT TO UNCLE SAM



Mrs. Mary E. Henderson, wealthy widow of Senator John D. Henderson, of Missouri, whose granddaughter, Mrs. Beatrice Henderson Wholesan (inset), is seeking to restrain her by law from presenting a mansion on Meridian Hill, Washington, D. C., to the Government for the use of Vice Presidents as an official residence.

No Favors Asked by Only Elected Woman Member In Oregon's Legislature

By OLIVE M. DOAK

The gavel rapped for the last time, a bustle of people started "en masse" to leave the house of representatives at high noon, a subdued hum of voices of worthy representatives meeting in threes and fours to discuss matters, and amidst this Dorothy McCullough, the only elected woman in either the house or senate of Oregon, sat quietly in this bustle, and with level, calm, blue-gray eyes looked each questioner in the eye who came for the "vote on this," or "what was the objection to that," and her voice as she answered was low spoken and as level as her eyes, and there was that same quality of unsophistication in her voice that one glimpsed in her eyes.

An amazing quality, that look of unsophistication, in a woman who is as independent and self-possessed as Representative Lee—and who is as widely traveled, as thoroughly educated, and as technically trained as she is. It is a charming quality—it suggested to the interviewer the simplicity that lurks in the background of all really big people—the braggart and little person, the person who is afraid of being found out may be all-wise and complexly and intricately sophisticated, but the truly big person seems never to be tinged with such shriveling qualities.

Admiral's Daughter

And Mrs. Lee is "big"—big in experience, in training, in outlook, and in understanding. Her early life started her in the right manner apparently for she is the only child of a rear admiral in the United States navy, and her childhood until she was about 15 years old was spent in traveling and in knowing the superior life both social and political that is the heritage of officers in the United States navy.

Part of her education was in Europe, part in the orient, part in Washington, D. C., in which

W. H. S. GROUP IS ELECTED

Tom Evans to Head Student Body During Year

WOODBURN, Feb. 10.—Tom Evans is to be president of the associated students of Woodburn high school, as the result of an election held by the students Monday morning. Evans' term extends from the mid-year mark to the mid-year period next year. Tom Evans has been an outstanding student at Woodburn high school. He was associate editor of the school paper during the first half of the year. Evans is a student from Aurora.

Mary Alice Conyne was elected vice president and Donal Conyne was chosen as student body secretary. Of the nine nominees for membership at large, Charles Treasider, Rea McPeak and Ralph Nelson were chosen.

As the terms of the students' officers extend over into next year, all the nominees were members of the three lower classes.

The three members-at-large are headed by the most important student committee, public relations committee, finance committee and nominating committee.

SIX DAY WEEK BILL KILLED BY SENATE

Indefinite postponement of Senator Dunne's bill providing a day of rest each week for all persons, engaged in industrial work, with certain exemptions, was made by the senate yesterday despite the rigorous protests of the senator. Persons employed in telephone exchanges, processing of perishable products, farm operations, paper mills and a few other less important industries would have been exempted.

Senator Dunne declared that his bill primarily was drafted in the interest of more than 2100 watchmen who are now compelled to work seven days each week. He said the measure was in the interest of humanity and was desired by thousands of persons in different parts of the state.

"This bill has merit," declared Senator Dunne, "and should have the serious consideration of this senate. At the present time thousands of men and women are compelled to work seven days each week with the result that they are robbed of home and social life. This measure would not only cure this situation, but would assist materially in relieving the unemployment problem in various parts of the state."

Senator Bennett expressed the opinion that there is no need for the measure under existing economic conditions. "I am convinced that this bill would cause a large number of watchmen to lose their living standards," said Bennett.

Senator Strayer declared that the proposed legislation was dangerous for the reason that it would put a number of small mining operations out of business.

"If this bill is approved," said Strayer, "it will be necessary for the men in mining camps to quit eating for 24 hours each week or carry two cooks on the payroll."

Senator Spaulding opposed passage of the bill on the ground that it would interfere materially with the operation of sawmills and logging camps.

How did the representatives accept her in her first term two years ago? "After the first two weeks," and here Mrs. Lee just really "grinned," and there was mischief in the look, "when they found that I was here for business and knew what I wanted they were toward me as they were toward each other, and they continue that way. They have all been very wonderful to me."

Mrs. Lee remarked that her greatest interests in the legislature's work is that which pertains to women. I feel that this is necessary because they are not represented as the men are. If there were 20 women in the house I would interest myself in some of my hobbies. As it is I am very much interested in the free text book bill and in those bills which have to do with child welfare, as well of course, as the others upon which we have to pass."

Mrs. Lee feels that as far as intellect and adaptability of women in business is concerned there is no difference between men and women. The sad difference comes in the training that women are received. In speaking over the radio at the beginning of the session Mrs. Lee remarked: "This generation of women is fortunately living in an age when they have become the partners of men in the fullest sense of the word. Women who are fitted by training and experience should participate in public affairs whenever their circumstances will permit them to do so. There should certainly be some women serving in our legislature at all times."

These are inspiring words from a woman who knows and from one with the true feminine charm and aristocratic poise that marks Mrs. Lee's every act. She has achieved to a place of distinction among men in the business world yet she is truly a delicately feminine woman with all the attributes sang to woman by the most idealistic man. Even though she be accepted as an equal with the men among the men, yet it was with a smile of appreciation that the writer noted a bit more courtesy in the bow with which Speaker Loneragan recognized Mrs. Lee as she spoke from the floor just before

the house adjourned, a bow of respect for a genuine lady who knows what she wants and with balance and directness, and steadfastness goes toward that goal.

County Judges Fight Welfare Board's Plans

Members of the legislative committee of the state county judges and commissioners' association at conference here yesterday, went on record opposed to a number of bills proposed by the state child welfare commission. It was pointed out that the child welfare commission is requesting appropriations of \$35,000, which is a material increase over the budget requirements for the department two years ago.

The county courts especially are opposed to a bill asking for the creation of child welfare commission committees in the various counties and for licensing of boarding homes for children.

Senate Passes Six Measures

The following bills were passed by the senate yesterday:

S. B. 126, by Eddy et al—Authorizing cities and towns to acquire water rights, operate power plants, and regulate rates for electricity.

S. B. 148, by Schulmerich—To expedite and simplify the collection and payment by checks and other instruments for the payment of money.

S. B. 112, by Woodward—Relating to consolidated school districts, title to property, bonded indebtedness and liability.

S. B. 85, by Eddy et al—Including within provisions of workmen's compensation act county surveyors, their deputies and assistants, and inmates of state institutions engaged in certain hazardous occupations.

H. B. 69, by Hill and Wheeler—Relating to cemetery associations.

H. B. 76, by Nash—Relating to discontinuance in any county of the unit school system.

IRRIGATION INSTALLED AUBURN, Feb. 10.—Han Rehb is putting in pipes for overhead ir-

rigation in his loganberry yard. If next summer is as dry as this winter has been, Mr. Rehb will have berries when the rest are dried up.

Status of Irrigation in Oregon Shown in Report; Outlook Not Wholly Black

There are now 44 irrigation districts in the state of Oregon, containing approximately 1,698,037 acres, according to the biennial report of the state reclamation commission filed with the state legislature. Of these districts 48 are active in that they maintain regular organizations and own or control and operate their irrigation works. There are 448,000 acres of land in the active irrigation districts. The report shows that irrigation district bonds have been issued and sold in the amount of \$12,655,300, of which \$11,386,000 have been certified by the state reclamation commission. The state has guaranteed the interest on \$9,384,000 of these bonds and issued state bonds in the amount of \$2,172,760 for the payment of interest on such bonds during the period covered by the guarantee.

"Of the 48 active districts," read the report, "13 are in default and the state reclamation commission is now assisting in the reorganization of 13 of these defaulting districts. There have been patented to the state by the United States district court, which \$9,947 acres have been decided to actual settlers in tracts ranging from 40 to 160 acres. At this time there is pending before the department of the interior a list for patent covering 72,996 acres, which, with the acreage heretofore patented, comprises a total of 99,918 acres reclaimed under the Carey act.

"The state reclamation has been active, engaged in assisting 11 defaulting irrigation districts in the United States to reorganize their indebtedness. At the present time these districts are in different stages of reorganization and it is expected that within the next two years all of the districts will have been completely reorganized and placed on a sound financial basis.

"In most cases bondholders' protective committees have been organized and the individual holders are being solicited to pool their bonds. As the bonds issued under the irrigation district law were general obligation securities, the success of an effective adjustment with the land owners of the particular district is largely dependent upon the percentage of the outstanding bonds deposited with the committee.

"While some criticism has been directed against the reclamation of land under the provisions of the Carey act, much of it has not been well founded. There are Carey act projects in Oregon that have been carried on to completion and have been reasonably successful as compared to other methods of reclamation. In general the liens paid by the settlers for water rights have been very reasonable, and while it is true that much money has been lost in development, it has been lost by the promoting and contracting companies who have attempted the reclamation rather than the settlers themselves.

"A very large percentage of the land in irrigation districts is in private ownership and is usually quite well improved, while Carey act lands are always totally desert in character, unoccupied and unimproved at the time the project is initiated. Therefore, it can be readily seen that successful reclamation under the Carey act does not mean truth actually reclaim in the fullest sense of the word.

"In 1926 approximately 67,000 acres of Carey act land in Oregon was actually irrigated and produced crops, while necessary works have been constructed for the delivery of water to about 101,000 acres. Some of the works on these projects have been designed and constructed of sufficient capacity to irrigate all lands in the respective districts and considerable work has been done on projects on which no land has yet been irrigated.

"There are now segregated under the Carey act approximately 500,000 acres, of which 77,932 have been patented to the state, and 12,996 acres have been listed for patent and are now under the action of the department of the interior. More than 194,000 acres have been sold and \$6,347 acres have been decided by the state to actual settlers. A large area of the remaining land is now on the way toward reclamation. The balance must be disposed of either by reclamation and disposal to settlers, or, in the case of state's failure to reclaim the same, by relinquishment to the United States. Many of the 27 segregations which have been made have been disposed of."

One of the large irrigation projects now under reorganization is the Warm Springs district. Virtually all of the outstanding bonds issued by this district have been deposited, and the contracts for reorganization have been executed.

MINISTERS LAUNCH WELFARE PROGRAM

Members of the Salem ministerial association listened to a paper on "The Progress of Church Union" by Rev. Grover C. Birchett, in their regular meeting Monday morning at the Y. M. C. A.

A permanent committee was appointed to take care of civic welfare work. Members of this group are Hugh B. Fouke, Jr., C. E. Ward, and J. M. Comer.

It is expected that each member of the ministerial group will appoint one layman from his church on a lay Civic Welfare committee which will work with the trio named above for this work.

The Salem Breakfast Club is planning an exceptionally interesting program for the Thursday morning broadcast over radio station KEX.

Rufe White will act as master of ceremonies and he and Carl Gabrielson will stage one of their skits which have proven popular during the winter.

Musical numbers will be furnished by Al Adolph's Silver Grille dance band. Featured numbers will be an accordion and violin duet by Peter and John Poelki and vocal numbers by Dagmar Kauppi. Miss Kauppi is a radio artist of experience and her appearance on the Salem broadcast is being anticipated by a large audience.

Two New Bills Are Introduced

Bills introduced in the senate yesterday follow:

S. B. 214, by Staples—Relating to liens.

S. B. 213, by committee on irrigation and drainage—Pertaining to hearings before state engineer,

WOODBURN HI HEARS OF INDIA

Mrs. W. B. Norton Tells Students of Interesting Experiences

WOODBURN, Feb. 10.—A very interesting and unusual talk was given to the students of Woodburn high school Monday morning when Mrs. W. B. Norton, who has recently traveled in India, told of the conditions in that vast country.

Mrs. Norton told of the extreme poverty of the people. She said that she actually saw a little native Indian eat his entire amount of food for the day—a small handful of wheat. She told of the many millions of people in India and of their extreme poverty.

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Mrs. Norton told of her experience of dining with Mahatma

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Eddy Chosen For Lincoln Address

Senator Eddy has been selected to give the address at the joint session of the senate and house to be held Thursday afternoon in the hall of representatives in observance of Lincoln's birthday. Prayer will be given by Colonel Mercer, veteran sergeant-at-arms in the senate.

There will be special musical numbers.

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