

FREE TEXTBOOK BILL IS PASSED

Certain to Become Law as Governor Favored It in His Platform

(Continued from page 1) more frills. We are running bit and miss, without making adequate provision for our state wards. Our insane hospital in Salem is a fire trap. Some day we will have a holocaust which will cause the members of this legislature to regret their delinquency. Would you take the money needed to care for our state wards and expend it for free textbooks?

"This proposed law is mandatory, and if approved, will make it necessary for the bona-fide citizens of Oregon to purchase textbooks for their children. Floating claims of people whose daily routine is that of splitting on the fire, putting out the dog and riding around in luxurious automobiles. I warn you that the time is not far distant when the economic structure of this state will be destroyed by over-taxation."

Eddy Claims It Is Socialism Senator Eddy said the proposed law was just another step toward socialism. "This bill will encourage extravagance," said Eddy, "and add to our financial burdens."

"If we would give more attention to our youth," declared Senator Crawford, "we might relieve the congested conditions in our penitentiary. I feel that this law would encourage education and save the state many thousands of dollars. Theories should give way to actual needs. This is an economic measure. It is right and should receive favorable consideration in this senate."

Senator Upton took the position that the state has enacted laws compelling children to attend school, and that it should now provide the tools of education. "There will be additional expenses," said Upton, "but the burden will be distributed. It is a wise investment to encourage education."

Senator Fisher said he was opposed to the bill for two reasons. "In the first place," said Fisher, "the proposed law is unconstitutional and will cost the taxpayers of Oregon \$1,000,000. In the second place it discriminates against the private school. We are enriching our citizens with high taxes."

Senator Wheeler argued for the bill on the ground that free textbooks would equalize the burden of education. "The parents of large families, as a rule," said Wheeler, "are the least able to purchase textbooks for their children."

"This kind of legislation will lower the fibre of the human race," said Senator Burt. "It will encourage the educators to extend the free textbook privilege to the high schools of the state."

Senator Moser said the matter of free textbooks was not a new one in the state of Oregon and had been considered by previous legislatures. "Let us record here and forever that we favor equality among all the boys and girls in this state," said Moser.

Senator Hall said he favored the bill for the reason that he obtained his early education in a state which has free textbooks. Senator Woodward spoke briefly for the bill, while Senator Bennett opposed.

DOG DERBY WON BY WOMAN



Thula Geelan, noted woman dog team driver, bested a field which included the best men "mashers" in North America and won the annual Tahoe-Sierra dog derby. Carrying in her pocket a handkerchief which she said had been given her as a good-luck talisman by the late "Whistlin' Syd" Hutchinson, another woman dog driver who died last year, Mrs. Geelan hung up the fastest time of 5 hours, 27 minutes 34 seconds.

Gibson, R. G. Lucks, cannerymen; H. R. Crawford; J. O. Baar, engineer; and C. Lester, the commission's engineer. The water company put on as witnesses M. A. Ponison, city recorder; E. O. Elliott, Claim Temporary Filter Is Unsafe. All the engineers testified that the present temporary filter beds were not sufficient protection, that they were in danger in case of flood; and that a mechanical filtration plant was necessary to insure the city wholesome potable water. President Elliott admitted the need for the filter and related how they had suspended operations because the amount of the city bond issue would not cover the added outlay for the filter plant and the company feared it would be the loser.

Cannerymen testified that while the present water was all right, they feared a recurrence of water trouble of the late fall of 1928. This came after the peaking season of that year, no actual damage had been experienced. Chairman Hal Patton presided, He and Commissioners Corey and Bortsmeyer, asked many questions. The commission took the matter under advisement and is expected to wait till the outcome of the present negotiations with the city is announced.

TWO KILLED WHEN TRAIN, TRUCK HIT

(Continued from page 1) to \$17,500. This appropriation previously was considered by the committee on the basis of a reduction of 50 per cent, but this was thought to be too drastic. Senator Woodward attacked the Oregon Employment Institution for the Blind in Portland on the ground that it had been made a political shaft and was not conducted along the line intended at the time it was created.

The appropriation of \$220,000 requested for the construction of a new wing at the Oregon State hospital at Pendleton was reduced \$15,000. Appropriations by the ways and means committee up until tonight aggregated \$4,357,759, as against budget requests of \$5,411,810 approved by the governor. Items authorized by the committee not contained in the budget aggregate \$979,866. The net decrease in actual budget recommendations totals \$192,517.

It was indicated tonight that most of the appropriations would be prepared for introduction not later than Tuesday of next week.

CLASSES WORKING FOR ANNUAL GLEE

Practices for songs to be sung by Willamette university classes in the Freshman Glee is under way. Arrangements are being made by members of the freshman class. Committees working on the affair are as follows: Seniors: Mary and Howard Miller, composers; Josephine Albert, leader; Doris Corbin, accompanist; Ralph Purvine, formation chairman. Juniors: Muriel White and Edith Findley, composers; Helen Cochran, director; Edith Findley, accompanist; formation, junior glee committee.

ORGANIZE TAX RELIEF GROUP

Farmers Gather Here, lay Plans for Relief From Taxation Burden

(Continued from page 1) cation and state officials; passage of income, inheritance and excise taxes and caution in electing representatives to the state legislature were among the suggested proposals for reducing the tax burden, which, league members assert, is rapidly becoming so onerous as to prevent farmers from living on their lands and supporting their families.

Among those who spoke at the meeting were John Ramage of Woodburn, member of the executive committee, F. J. Laky of Salem, A. B. Zimmerman of Salem, Arthur Bowers of Silverton, Arthur Edwards of Turner, Lester Matthew of Champeog and Mr. Stocker of Silverton.

Will Adopt Policy Of Saturday Meet The first definite step of the league will be to adopt a policy of tax reduction at a meeting to be held Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the chamber of commerce rooms. At this time a delegation will be appointed to appear before members of the state legislature and present the proposals of the league.

The tax reduction league was formulated in Marion county a month ago. Since that time Washington county has organized and Clackamas county is planning to organize soon. Yamhill county has had a league for some time. There are about 2,000 farmers in Marion county who are members of the league at the present time, according to Mr. Zorn.

A. E. Zimmerman was elected to represent Salem on the executive committee and Wilfred Steens of Howell Prairie was elected secretary of the county group.

SHORT TRAIN BILL SHOVED ON SIDING

The senate late yesterday afternoon ran the short train bill to a siding and left it there for this session. By a vote of 19 to 11, on reconsideration, the Upton measure was indefinitely postponed.

Senator Upton had called the bill back from the house earlier in the week, after the senate had approved it. New testimony was taken in committee, the railroad brotherhood, predominating in the hearing. Despite the new evidence, senators found less reason to approve the measure than at first vote.

Senators Upton and Dunne urged the bill, which limited the length of freight trains to 70 cars and passenger trains to 14 cars. Opposition was made by Senators Booth, Crawford and Staples who claimed the bill was an attempt to legislate jobs for men to the detriment of the railroad and of the public interest. In debate yesterday, opponents of the measure stressed the fact that cutting down the length of trains might sweep away the 50 per cent differential now held by Portland through its water grade over Puget Sound. Of the total shipments from the inland empire territory.

WASHINGTON'S DAY OBSERVED MONDAY

Monday will be generally observed in Salem as a holiday, following Washington's birthday which falls on Sunday this year. The postoffice will be closed with no city or rural service all day Monday, except for the special delivery service and the hour from 9 to 10 o'clock when the general delivery window will be open to accommodate transients. The banks will be closed during the day, and the school children will have Monday afternoon off. Schools will open at the regular time Monday morning, and run during the morning, with part of that period to be given to programs in commemoration of the first president's birth.

LOW GRADES CAUSE MANY PROBATIONS

Forty-six of Willamette university's 559 students of last semester have been put on probation for low grades. Of the total of 328 "A's," 227 were earned by women and 161 by men. Last year's record shows that 510 students were registered for the corresponding semester from which 328 "A's" and 568 "B's" were earned.

Honors for high grades went to Leslie Frowling for last semester for a straight "A" in a 20 hour course. Mr. Frowling is taking a pre-medical course of which three of his subjects last semester were laboratory courses. Other students making no grades lower than "B" are: Misses Adams, Atkinson, Badley, Baird, Cammack, Patton, Rddy, Darch, Edwards, Hanks, High, Jorgenson, Lewis, Love, Middleton, Medler, Mitzner, Morange, Moser, Ross, Scott, Skinner, Stiles, Toose, Wampler, Wesley, White (Mary and Muriel), Clarke Winsor, Mrs. Alice Fisher; Messrs. Parker, Balderson, Barlow, Bove, Briggs, Campbell, Curran, Felton, French, Hagemann, Miller, Nelson, Smith, Warren, West, Wright, Waddell.

666 LIQUID OR TABLETS Cure Colds, Headaches, Fever 666 SALVE CURES BABY'S COLD

The Call Board

By OLIVE M. DOAK

THE GRAND Today — Buck Jones in "Shadow Ranch"

WARNER'S CAPITOL Today — "Captain Applejack"

HOLLYWOOD Today — Charles Rogers in "Follow Thru"

WARNER'S ELGINORE Today — Conrad Nagel in "Free Love"

Saturday — Winnie Lightner and Joe Brown in "Sit Tight"

"Captain Applejack" which will be seen for the last time today at the Capitol was made to be an amusing comedy on the subject of a bored man who was given a new interest in life. Mary Brian and John Halliday take the leads but some of the minor characters just about make off with the show. Can't say that Mary is any more clever than she usually is. Halliday seems to be playing his part while waiting for something better.

"Jerry" Laswell at the Capitol has a show coming upon which he is completely sold. That show is "White Cargo" and if half is true that is said about it, well—the show will be one you will not want to miss.

Those folk who follow the legitimate stage will remember that it has had one of the longest records as a stage play. It was written by a young electrician who went to the tropics to do some special work for a company and instead of coming home when he had completed his work he remained for 10 years. He kept a diary while there and the story is made from that diary. It is a play of human emotions under stress of circumstances hard to realize by the stay-at-homes.

CLARA LYONS WINS JOURNALISM HONOR

Clara Lyons, editor of the Salem high school Clarion, placed eighth in the headline writing division of the national journalism contest sponsored by Quill and Scroll, national high school journalism society, according to word received here over the Associated Press.

Alice Smith of Meadville, Penn., was awarded first place in the headline writing contest, in which Miss Lyons gained first place. The other two divisions were feature writing and current news writing.

This is the first year that Salem high students have entered in the Quill and Scroll contests, and the showing made comes as a pleasant surprise. Much of the credit for the showing is due Miss Ada Ross, faculty adviser to the Clarion. Miss Lyons is the third Salem high student to be recognized in the contest; however, she is the only one to receive position in the national competition. John Irvine of Corvallis placed second in the Pacific coast area in the headline writing contest.

Troutdale Will Erect Cannery

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 19. — (AP)—Announcement was made tonight following a meeting of Troutdale vegetable growers and members of the industries committee of the Portland chamber of commerce that a \$500,000 cooperative cannery will be built at Troutdale this year.

WARNER BROS. NOW

Members of Lions club entertained their wives with a "ladies' night" dinner and program at the Masonic temple last night. The entertainment program consisted of vocal and instrumental solos and moving pictures of Oregon outdoors presented by Dr. David Bennett Hill, Mrs. Vida Lou Starr and Mrs. John Stimpson sang; Clarence Wagner played the piano; and Leslie Springer sang a number of Scotch songs.

FREE LOW The Santa Fe Trail

SALEM, DALLAS TIE FOR DEBATE HONOR

Extra Contest Necessary to Settle Division Race; Silverton Beaten

Salem high school debate teams encountered a snag last night in their apparent walk-away for this division of the district when the affirmative locals lost here 3 to 0 to the negative from Dallas. The result is a tie with Dallas for division honors.

The local decision was a complete surprise to Salem, especially in view of the fact that the Dallas debaters made no attempt to answer the arguments set forth by the local team, composed of Howard Teeple and Robert Reed.

The Salem negative team, Ward Horn and Waldo Mills, won 3 to 1 at Silverton, thus saving the day for Salem. Prior to last night's debate, Salem outpointed Dallas by two counts in the season's contests. Dallas lost 2 to 1 to Woodburn at Dallas last night, thus giving that school four points for the evening. Salem got only the two points from Silverton, which evened up the points earned by each school and will make necessary a debate to argue off the tie into which the schools find themselves.

Despite the upset last night, Salem high school has made a particularly fine record this year, winning all but one debate. This in face of the fact that all six members of the debate squad and the coach, Shannon Hogue, were now to debating in Salem high this season. Harold Pruitt and Eleanor Barth were the other two members of the squad, and each has appeared in several contests.

GRANGE POWER BILL PASSED BY SENATE

(Continued from page 1) fore the senate voted, by Senator Bailey, one of the authors of the measure. Bailey said that every feasible safeguard had been placed in the measure to prevent unwise financing and other difficulties which bothered irrigation districts formed in Oregon. Bailey pointed out to the senate that there was a requirement in the measure providing that a district formed of non-contiguous sections required an affirmative vote by both sections. Bailey told the senate that legal advisor of Governor Meier had thoroughly examined the bill and had given it their approval.

DEAF BASKETEERS BEAT INDEPENDENCE

The School for the Deaf basketball team scored a basket but but five seconds left to play and defeated Independence high 14 to 13 at Independence Thursday night.

HOLLYWOOD

Home of 25c Talkies TODAY and SATURDAY Matinee Today 2 P. M. Mickey Mouse Matinee 1:30 Saturday

WARNER BROS. ELGINORE NOW The Love-Laugh Screen 'Treat of the Year!' FOLLOW THRU A Paramount Picture with Charles Rogers Nancy Carroll Zelma O'Neal Jack Haley All-Technicolor Also Rin-Tin-Tin in "The Lone Defender" and Mickey Mouse in "Birthday Party" COMING SUNDAY The Santa Fe Trail A Paramount Picture

VETERANS LOAN PASSES SENATE

President's Opposition is Flouted; Vote 72 to 12 in the Senate

(Continued from page 1) and McNary of Oregon, the republican leaders, joined in the party bolt to support the bill. Watson will support the veto as the administration leader but there was little indication any others would switch over to help sustain the veto.

Of the 12 who did not vote only 4 were paired against the measure, thus giving the opposition a total strength in the senate of 18, far less than the required one-third plus one necessary to sustain a presidential objection.

Letter Girls of H. S. Planning For Activities

The Girls' Letter club of the senior high school is making preparations for several big events for the spring term, it was announced following a meeting of the club yesterday. The club will hold a dance at the high school gymnasium the evening of April 24. Plans are being formulated for initiation of the new club members, this event to be held the middle of next month. Agnes Miller has been named chairman of the jym jamboree, the outstanding event of the year for the letter girls. This will be held either March 26 or 27, the exact date to be announced later.

TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR JERSEY SHOW

Definite plans for the annual county Jersey show will be made at the meeting of the Marion county Jersey Cattle club, to be held at the Salem chamber of commerce rooms on Saturday, beginning at 1 o'clock.

The spring show has been the occasion for bringing out the blue bloods of the county Jersey world and prospects are that the 1931 show will be the best held so far. Other important business will be transacted, according to Warren Gray, president of the club.

YOU'LL LAUGH, YOU'LL ROAR, YOU'LL ROLL IN THE AISLES... AT THE WILDEST, FUNNIEST PICTURE YOU'VE EVER SEEN... COME EARLY TO GET THE FLOOR SPACE ON WHICH TO ROLL... YOU'LL NEED IT SIT TIGHT WINNIE LIGHTNER JOE E. BROWN

LAST TIMES TONIGHT! 'Capt. Applejack' WITH MARY BRIAN JOHN HALLIDAY

THE ALL TALKING PICTURE OF THE WORLD'S MOST SENSATIONAL PLAY

Starts Tomorrow! An Astounding Drama of Civilized Men and Primitive Women MEET TONDELEYO Primitive Love HUNGRY CHILD OF THE TROPICS! Young, Beautiful Lithe and Yielding—This was The Primitive Stren, Tondeleyo 'WHITE CARGO' WARNER BROS. CAPITOL