

## BAUGHN'S CASE TO REACH JURY

Conflicting Parts of two  
Versions of Slaying  
Argued Vigorously

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The Robnett case attended by Major Baughn, Mrs. Bewley, Mrs. Baughn and Robnett was merely attempted to beget the issue, and had nothing to do with the actual charge.

He reviewed the two cases presented, and emphasized what he claimed greater credibility of the state's presentation and witnesses. During the morning session yesterday, defense recalled Dr. V. E. Hookett, who testified that there were no bruises on Baughn's throat. Baughn's earlier testimony that his shirt collar was turned up at the time of the fight took significance at this point, but the state elicited the statement from the doctor that throat of a man who had been strangled would bear bruise marks whether or not a thick shirt collar covered the neck.

Mrs. Shocker was recalled to the stand, but could not say whether Baughn's collar was up or down. S. O. Burkhardt was also recalled during the morning, and Ray Elliott, forest ranger, was a character witness for Robnett.

The Salem chamber of commerce entertained a delegation was enthusiastically received last night at the Independence chamber's dinner meeting, one of the largest ever held there, it was reported. As a good will gesture, the Salem chamber had offered to take over the full program for this meeting.

E. E. Sisson, president of the Salem chamber, presided, with speakers and entertainers as follows:

Mr. Sisson, W. R. Newmyer, president of Salem Lions club; Rep. Hannah Martin, president of Salem Women's club; vocal solo by Kenneth Fleming, accompanied by Miss Bernice Rickman; Willis Clark, president of Kiwanis club; Mona Yoder, past president of Salem Business and Professional Women's club; Allan G. Carson, commander of Capital post, American legion; Helen Louise Crosby, president of Zonta club; W. L. Phillips, president of Rotary club; vocal solo by Miss Rickman, accompanied by Miss Ruth Schreiber; E. L. Weider, president of Salem Business Men's league; William P. Ellis, member of the Salem chamber board of directors, who spoke on "River Improvements."

## Lions List Three Speakers Thursday

Three speakers are scheduled for the Lions club luncheon at the Marion hotel tomorrow noon. Leading will be Freeman Essex of Portland, representative for the Northwest Mutual Life Insurance company. Harry W. Scott will tell his most embarrassing experience and Edward Acklin will give the three-minute talk on business, telling about shoe merchandising.

## Notice—

The "Peter Pan" restaurant is again open for business with all fresh foods, after having been closed since Saturday noon, Jan. 21st, on account of fire in the Oregon Bldg.

I wish to thank my many customers for their patronage in the past, and wish for a continuation of the same in the future.

Also wish to thank those who assisted at the time of the fire. Restaurant open from 6 a. m. to 12 p. m.

E. A. FOLSON  
Prop.

## The Call Board..

By OLIVE M. DOAK

**WARNER BROS. ELGINORE**  
Today— Sylvia Sidney in  
"Madame Butterfly."

Friday—William Powell in  
"Lawyer Man."

**WARNER BROS. CAPITOL**  
Today— John Gilbert in  
"Downstairs."

Friday—William Haines, Jimmy Durante in "Fast Life."

**HOLLYWOOD**  
Today—Ruth Chatterton in  
"The Crash."

Friday—Tom Brown in "Tom Brown of Culver."

**THE GRAND**  
Today—James Dunn, Boots  
Mallory in "Handle With Care."

Thursday—Warner Baxter in  
"Man About Town."

Friday—Norman Foster in  
"Strange Justice."

**SOUTHEAST OREGON  
HAS HEAVY STORM**

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Isolated session at Carson City from Reno today. They either were turned back at Reno at Washoe Summit or were forced to wait at various points for the highway to be opened.

MAUREPAS, La., Jan. 24—(AP)—A tornado swept through this section late today injuring a score of persons, several seriously, destroying about 30 homes, and snapping hundreds of trees off several feet from the ground.

The blow apparently spent its force within a 12-mile stretch 200 feet wide.

The most seriously injured were Professor R. J. Williams, 35, his wife, 32, and Irene Vicknar, 13. They were taken to a Baton Rouge hospital.

**SALARY REDUCTION  
BILLS CONSIDERED**

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son and Dunne, and was in line with Governor Meier's recommendation to the legislature.

A bill introduced by Senator Wheeler provides for the cancellation of penalties and interest on delinquent taxes for 1931 and prior years. This bill first provides for remitting all penalties and interest on taxes prior to 1931, and then authorizes the payment of principal in 20 semi-annual installments.

**Demonstration  
As Communists  
Leave, Orderly**

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 24—(AP)—An orderly demonstration was staged here tonight at the union station by a group of communists when three members of the communist party left Portland on their way to Russia.

The three, Lambo Mitsef, secretary of the communist party in Portland; Vasil Goshoff and Peter Males, were the last of a group ordered deported a year ago after raids on Portland communistic headquarters. They were permitted to leave the country voluntarily at their own expense.

**All Home Owned Theatre  
HOLLYWOOD**  
LAST TIMES TODAY  
WEDNESDAY NITE IS  
DIME NITE

All Seats **10c** Except  
Loges

The Screen's  
Greatest  
Lovers  
with  
George  
Brent

**CHATTERION  
THE CRASH**

LAST  
TIMES  
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James Dunn  
Boots Mallory  
El Brendel  
in  
Handle  
with Care

TOMORROW  
WARNER  
BAXTER  
TAKEN MORLEY

**MAN ABOUT TOWN**

Again... Fri. & Sat.  
Direct from Orpheum Theatre - Portland

**VAUDEVILLE**  
The Ushers  
Norton & Kane  
Ned Larocco  
Masters & Grace

## SPOKESMEN OFFER PROTESTS ON BILL

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commissioner is not only judge, attorney and jury but sometimes the chief witness; and that it was unfair to clothe him with power to cite for contempt. Instead Griffith would give him authority to file contempt proceedings with a circuit judge who would give the matter impartial review.

Griffith's criticism of the system of financing the activities of the commissioner's office was not based on opposition to charging the costs up to the utilities but the danger of charges of collusion and fraud where the commissioner has such authority over the utility. He recommended that all charges be distributed against utilities as a group in proportion to gross earnings, and that appropriations be audited and authorized by responsible state authority as at present.

The Thomas bill would impose earnings in excess of a fair return to be used for the benefit of the consumers. Griffith said that under strict regulation there should be no excess earnings and that depriving utilities of surpluses in the chance years they might make such a surplus would not be fair unless there was provision to make good to them losses in lean years.

The only other person to speak at length was John Laing representing the P. P. & L., the Northwestern Electric, and the Portland Gas & Coke Co. He strongly opposed giving the single commissioner power to cite for contempt, and said that some of the provisions of the bill would be strangulation instead of regulation.

**DISTRICT WANTS IN  
ON WARRANT ISSUE**

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teacher tenure law, the board took no official action. The sentiment was that the present tenure law is "too tight" in favor of the teacher.

Director R. F. Pound, who is legislative chairman for the Oregon council of Parents and Teachers, outlined school bills introduced at the present legislative session. He predicted that the tuition law, as well as the transportation act, would be attacked, either to be eliminated entirely or reduced to some arbitrarily chosen uniform rate per pupil.

**HIGHER EDUCATION  
BOARD PUTS ISSUE**

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if it would be possible to consolidate the state normal schools without inciting a riot.

Sammons replied that these institutions were created by legislative action and the legislature was the only body having authority to abolish or consolidate them.

**Hearing on Beer  
Bill Set Monday**

A hearing on the Beckman beer bill which would provide for legal sale of 3.2 beer in Oregon, was set yesterday for next Monday night by the house and senate committees on alcoholic control.

So large a crowd is expected, the house chambers were reserved for the meeting. Two years ago a hearing on proposed repeal of the enforcement act for prohibition in Oregon packed the house chambers.

**CAR SKIDS, CRASHES**  
A coupe driven by Elmer Burns, 39, South 14th street, skidded and crashed into a machine operated by H. W. Swafford, 883 North Cottage street, at 17th and Center streets early last night. Swafford reported to police. Damages were minor. L. B. McClelland, 250 Strand avenue, and W. O. Stevens, 297 Union, reported a minor collision between their autos at Court and 12th streets.

**Jack Eakin, state command-  
er of the legion, will see to it  
that bonus commission legisla-  
tion to suit the legion, is  
promptly and properly intro-**

**WARNER BROS. CAPITOL**  
Today  
and Thursday  
Another  
Great Hit!

The Gilbert of  
old... Gay...  
Handsome...  
Dashing Lover...  
Leaving a Trail  
of Broken  
Dreams  
Behind Him...

**JOHN  
GILBERT  
in his own story  
DOWNSTAIRS**

with  
PAUL  
LUKAS  
VIRGINIA BRUCE

ANYTIME  
**25c**

VAGABOND ADVENTURE  
"DRUMS OF THE ORIENT"  
POOCH CARTOON COMEDY

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## The Capitol Battlefront..

Incidents and Personalities  
More or Less Connected With  
the State Legislature and Its  
Achievements

**WILLARD MARKS, Albany  
lawyer, is just now out  
of the headlines but  
mark him down as an avail-  
able man for governor in 1934.**

Marks has spelled Governor Meier out on several occasions before he resigned as president of the senate to take a district refereeship in the federal bankruptcy court. Marks is not a spellbinder type of politician by no means of the lunatic fringe, but is a young, energetic Oregonian of the late Governor Patterson type. He is thoroughly honest and capable. Marks would not declare yesterday while at the statehouse whether or not he will run, although his personal inclinations are to stay out of a fight which would take money and time, both of which are always needed by the head of the house in one of Albany's leading legal families.

"I've talked to 100 farmers in Yamhill county who are for the sales tax. I think we are going to have to come to a tax. It is fair that all people who enjoy our government pay something for its benefits. Moreover the real property tax is breaking down as a revenue source due to low income from land products." This was the opinion expressed yesterday by W. S. Allan, Yamhill county commissioner, here for a meeting of the state commissioners' organization. Allan is a canny Scotchman, re-elected term after term. He lives at Dundee and is one of the fortunate men who own walnut orchards. Allan is a granger but declares Ray Gill has put the cart before the horse; being personally against the sales tax, he is now trying to stir up grange support against it in the state, rather than make an impartial canvass of what the real sentiment of farmers is on the matter of a sales tax.

For many years J. W. Boyer lived secluded on the old Slab Creek road between Grand Ronde and Devil's lake. So persistent was his demand and that of his handful of neighbors that a shortcut road should go to the coast through his territory, that last the Salmon River cutoff road to the coast became an actuality. A super-highway district was formed, \$130,000 in bonds was authorized, additional moneys from taxes were provided and now the road is used by as many as 400 motorcars a hour during the busy Sunday in the summer. Boyer and Ira Withrow, another member of the board of the highway district, were in Salem Tuesday working for a bill which would have the state take over the road, that is, "We've got to have relief," Boyer said. "We've kept up the interest and paid some of the principal so far but I doubt if we can continue. Perhaps we should make a toll road out of the property and make some money. It is the most used cutoff road to the coast."

Odds and ends: Charles Hall, former state senator from Coos county, visiting with friends under the dome... the senator, twice candidate for governor, now resides in Portland and is engaged in an eastern Oregon mine development... Dr. P. O. Riley, Hubbard and Portland publisher, granted the courtesy of the floor in the senate... William Hanly, Burns, four cigars and a red necktie, grinning as his old antagonist, Senator Spaulding, withdrew his employers' relief bill in the senate... The sixth message from the governor, this one being on Columbia river development and keeping the old Joseph record clear... "Harry," longtime chauffeur of the governor, writing for his regular nighttime passenger and talking to Homer Foster, who worked hard for Meier in Marion county in 1931... Chunky Sam Brown back at his senate desk... Eugene Marsh, law partner of ex-Senator Vinton, one-time president of the upper house, and friend of Walter Toose, Jr. the innumerable secretaries and clerks, happy to be on the cash payroll.

**SENATE BILLS  
Introduced**

S. B. 58—By Upton. Relating to qualifications of persons providing bail.

S. B. 59—By Dunn. To authorize the Jackson county court to transfer \$50,000 from the Pacific highway bond redemption fund to the general fund for unemployment relief.

S. B. 60—By Woodward. Relating to maintenance and care of insane.

S. B. 61—By Francisovich. Relating to salaries of justices of the peace and constables of Seaside district, Clatsop county.

S. B. 62—By Goss. Providing method for determining bona fide condition of the importation or sale of infected or diseased livestock.

S. B. 63—By Harlett. Relating to the importation or sale of infected or diseased livestock.

S. B. 64—By Harlett. Relating to the packing and sale of fruit.

**\$3250 in Permits  
For Building are  
Issued This Week**

As the result of a series of re-roofing permits taken out yesterday by the Standard Oil company here, the total value of construction here this week is already exactly 10 times that of all last week. Including \$2100 for re-roofing service stations, yesterday's permits included an \$800 one for erection of a boiler room at Salem laundry and a \$50 alteration job. Monday a \$250 permit was issued D. C. Roberts for altering a dwelling at 1420 North Fifth street, bringing the week's total to \$3250.

Mississippi farmers in the 33 delta and border delta counties this fall planted 1,755,710 pounds of winter legume seed for soil building purposes.

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## MODERNIZATION OF BANK CODE SOUGHT

Bill Would Place Bankers  
On State Board, Make  
Other Provisions

General modernization of the state banking code is provided for in the second major banking bill to make its appearance in the legislative session. The measure was introduced Tuesday by Senator Williamson and Representative McPhillips.

Salient provisions of the latest bill effecting banking include:

Addition of two bankers to the present state banking board consisting of the governor, the state treasurer, and the secretary of state. These members would be appointed by the governor from a list of five submitted by the executive committee of the State Bankers' association.

Authorization of the superintendent of banks to fix fees from time to time for bank examination.

Provision that controlling interest in no bank or trust company may be sold without five days' notice of intent to sell to state banking superintendent.

Interest on all secured and unsecured deposits shall cease upon bank closure save those of public funds.

Remission of all fees in bank liquidation by the county clerk and the circuit judge.

Provision for more expeditious means of getting dividend payments in case of liquidation into depositors' hands.

Reduction of the salary of the state superintendent of banks from \$6000 to \$5000 annually.

**HOUSE IS DELUGED  
WITH 40 NEW BILLS**

The lower house at the legislature Tuesday was deluged with new bills, 40 being introduced before the day closed. No bills of consequence were up for final passage. Few committees were ready to report and aside from the dropping reports of the clerks as the new measures were introduced, there was little to enliven the short morning and afternoon sessions.

Outstanding in the bills introduced in the house were those dealing with insurance, its sale and taxation in the state. The majority of these bills came from the ways and means committee and the committee on insurance, the former seeking greater revenues and the latter additional regulation on insurance sale in the state.

Representative Frank Hilton introduced a house joint resolution, calling upon this nation to inflate its currency to even up the existing spread with nations now off the gold standard. The resolution, if carried, would be sent to the national congress.

Among other bills introduced in the house was one which would place a four cents a pound tax on oleomargarine sold in the state as well as a tax on dealers.

**Accident Board  
Pay is Reduced**

Under the new classification of employees in the state industrial accident commission the salaries and wages range from \$55 to \$225, which is approximately 30 per cent lower than those in effect prior to the Meier administration. The three members of the commission who previously received \$300 a month are now paid on the basis of \$225 a month.

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## House Bills Introduced

H. B. 102—By Abrams. Enable county courts to refer matters of county business to people through agency of the ballot.

H. B. 104—By Scott. Make county plaintiff in actions brought by state highway commissions for acquisition of rights of way for state highways.

H. B. 105—By Abrams. Do away with continuing appropriation of real estate commissioner. Funds to go to state general fund.

H. B. 106—By Abrams. Abolish continuing appropriations for insurance department.

H. B. 107—By Abrams. Abolish continuing appropriations for fire marshal's department.

H. B. 108—By Abrams. Abolish corporation department fund and continuing appropriation to corporation department. Corporation receipts to be paid to state treasurer.

H. B. 109—By Abrams. Abolish inheritance tax fund.

H. B. 110—By Abrams. Do away with payment of the expense of the inheritance tax department from state inheritance tax fund.

H. B. 111—By Paulsen. Rest, Dammasch. Prevent spread of amoebic dysentery and other diseases through the use of certain fertilizers.

H. B. 112—By McCloskey. Change time for fishing in Coquille river.

H. B. 113—By Paulsen. Regulate commercial motor transportation, define fees and collections, powers of public utilities commission.

H. B. 114—By Senators Chinack, Goss and Francisovich and Representatives Scott, Longman and Winslow. Provide for rebonding of delinquent assessments, issuance and sale of municipal improvement bonds, payment of such assessments and payment of new bonds, and excluding said bonds from debt limitations of cities by charter of constitution.

H. B. 115—By Senators Francisovich, Goss and Chinack and Representatives Winslow, Scott, Kelly and Day. Provide for licensing of dogs by counties, and providing those owners from license payment who already pay license to incorporated cities.

H. B. 117—By Olsen. Provide for election to determine whether costs of transportation of high school pupils shall be paid from the high school tuition fund.

H. B. 118—By Stapler. Provide for partitioning of individual irrigation districts into three divisions through initiative of voters.

H. B. 119—By Ryan. Raise license fees of pawnbrokers from \$100 to \$500 and of dealers in motor vehicles from \$100 to \$500 and raise bond from \$1000 to \$5000.

H. B. 120—By Ryan. Raise license fees of agencies making loans on motor vehicles from \$100 to \$500 and raise bond from \$1000 to \$5000.

H. B. 121—By Ryan. Raise license fees of small loan companies from \$100 to \$500 and bond from \$1000 to \$5000.

H. B. 122—By Childs and Weatherford. To amend section 20-805, Oregon code, 1930, relating to annual inspection and testing of dairy cattle, horses and swine by federal bureau of animal industry