

BIG JOB STILL FACES SOLONS

Session's Final Week Will See Bills Railroaded, Others Let Die

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not later than Wednesday morning. A divided report from that committee is expected and the main debate will probably come Wednesday on this report.

The senate is expected to uphold the Knox bill unless all forecasts fail. The "dry" group which held fast in the 1933 regular session against the Knox bill, is now most solidly behind the Knox bill. Aligned with it are a number of anti-prohibition senators who believe the Knox plan the best offered for state control of hard liquor. Estimates on the senate vote range from 18 to 22 votes aye on the Knox measure. Some amendments may be agreed upon, principally relating to the state's financial control of the moneys advanced the liquor commission.

Senator John Goss of Coos county will fight strenuously, he announced Saturday, against approval of the Knox plan. He favors letting druggists and hotels handle the sale of hard liquor, the latter limited to sale with meals.

Relief for Unemployment

Both houses seem substantially in agreement that the state should appropriate \$3,000,000 for relief out of the first net profits on liquor's sale. The bill, introduced by the house unemployment relief committee, was up for passage Thursday but went back to committee for reconsideration of the exact method the state would use in issuing certificates against these revenues in order to satisfy the demands of the federal relief administrator.

A legal question has been raised by Representative Paret on the constitutionality of the legislature creating a debt against these anticipated liquor revenues. The attorney-general's office has opined that the relief bill's proposal is constitutional.

The bill will be smoothed out to the general satisfaction of the legal fraternity and scooted through both houses. The 90 members are in substantial agreement that \$3,000,000 in relief funds should be appropriated by the state, that liquor offers the best means of getting the money and that no other funds will probably be touched.

In addition to profits on hard liquors, the state will probably pledge the receipts it anticipates from a tax on wines and beers, a tax which did not carry in the 1933 session. This tax will come into the house hopper early next week. Because the measure, if passed, cannot become law for 90 days it will not be expected to produce revenue as rapidly as the state's operations of the anticipated liquor store setup.

Truck and Bus Control

The house highways committee headed by Representative George Winslow is in essential agreement on the amendments it proposes to the truck and bus law enacted in the regular session. The committee made its report to the lower house Saturday. The bill may be up for debate and final passage Monday. Some minor amendments are being drawn by Attorney J. M. Devers of the highway commission.

While the amendments modify many of the 1933 law's provisions relating to bonds, insurance and other details required of contract haulers, the mileage and license fees remain unchanged.

Representatives of the contract haulers declare the committee has not afforded them a decent hearing on these two provisions which they claim are the meat of the entire bus and truck legislation. These carriers want the mileage fee eliminated and a flat license fee charged based on the tonnage carried by the licensed truck.

While the lobby sentiment against the bill is strong and well-organized the truck and bus bill is so complicated and so much debated it is quite likely the house—and later the senate—will accept the work of its roads and highways committees which have corroborated extensively in drawing up the amendatory bill.

Debate will be extended next week but by Friday night the bus and truck legislation will probably have gone through both houses with the existing mileage and license charges unchanged.

PWA Grant Tie-in

HB 78 permitting the state highway commission to borrow PWA funds with which to build five coast bridges, paying for the 70 per cent cost out of tolls, will be put through each house without opposition. The delay in passing the measure has come through a legal snarl which developed Saturday when the Boston legal firm which advises the state highway commission on the legality of its debt obligations, found a technical fault in the proposed law.

Attorney J. M. Devers who submitted the bill as it was drawn by legal counsel for PWA in Washington, was to be busy this week and trying to work out the snarl—a minor matter—with the Boston firm and PWA officials. The state building program, involving a federal advance of about \$550,000, is slated to come out of the unemployment committee Monday with a favorable report. Representative Abrams, chairman, is seeing to it that this project is stressed. Senator Allan Bynon wants \$75,000 more authorized with which to mortgage the senate and house chambers at the capital. It is probable that this amendment will be proposed in the upper house. Bynon has

architect's drawing available on the proposed changes. The \$15,000,000 highway construction program recommended by Governor Meier, is sleeping away in committee. Legislators are hesitant to approve the measure and to recommend that \$10,500,000 general obligation bond issue which would be necessitated. To approve the project and to provide for repaying the federal advances out of revenues from the highways does not seem feasible to the legislature.

Power Development Project

The several projects proposed in bills in the house are so large, involve so much money and so greatly entangle federal development of the Bonville dam that it is entirely unlikely that either the house or the senate will come to a decision on the bills before the forthcoming week ends.

Members generally express the opinion that the bills, while approved by the senate in principle, are not pressing legislation and involve entirely too weighty matters to be decided upon hurriedly.

Tax Delinquency

Four to six measures are before committees in the two houses dealing with tax collection. Two at least make payment easier than the present law. One bill, fathered by Representative McLean, hikes interest on back taxes to one per cent a month and allows a two per cent discount to taxpayers who pay realty levies when due.

Outside the assembly a group of interested citizens are working to get a stiffer law than now prevailing. There is no unanimity of legislative sentiment for adding to the load of delinquent taxpayers through heavier penalties and more interest.

It seems likely that the law passed in 1933 and effective January 1, 1934, will stand. This raises the interest on back taxes to one per cent by this method: A two per cent discount is allowed for payment when due and eight per cent is charged on back taxes. Quarterly payment is permitted under this law.

SAWING DECREASE SHOWN IN REPORT

SEATTLE, Dec. 2.—A total of 487 down and operating mills which reported to the West Coast Lumbermen's association for the week ending November 25 produced 86,233,049 board feet of lumber. This was a decrease of approximately 1,000,000 under the preceding week. The average week's production of this group of sawmills in 1933 has been 87,224,926 feet; during the same period in 1932 their weekly average was 87,048,597 feet.

The unfilled order file at these mills stood at 441,927,084 board feet, a decrease of about 19,000,000 feet from the week before. The aggregate inventories of 130 mills are 2 per cent less than at this time last year.

Christmas Party Is Plan of Club At Waldo Hills

SHAW, Dec. 2.—The Waldo Hills Woman's club met at the home of Mrs. Francis ... A short business session was held and the roll call was answered promptly. It was decided to have a Christmas party December 21 for the club members and their families.

The remainder of the afternoon was spent in needletwork and conversation. At a late hour Mrs. Nunsom served refreshments. Members present were Mrs. Amont, Mrs. Bryan Wells, Mrs. Ivan Putnam, Mrs. Charles McAllister, Mrs. Neale Wolfe, Mrs. Clair McCormick, Mrs. William Howd and the hostess. Special guests were Mrs. Frank Goodin and Mrs. L. Perry. They adjourned to meet in two weeks with Mrs. Ivan Putnam.

IMPROVING HOPS

CLEAR LAKE, Dec. 2.—C. C. Russell, well-known hop grower of this section recently purchased tons of commercial fertilizer which he is applying to his 18-acre yard of old hops and the 22 acres he is planting on the new farm her purchased last fall. Mr. Russell is noted throughout the west as a producer of high quality hops as well as maximum yields.

VISITS WITH SISTER

SHAW, Dec. 2.—Mrs. Cassie Hicks, who makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Pearl Humphrey of Salem, is spending a few days at the home of her sister, Mrs. Rosa Simpson. Mrs. Humphrey and daughter Eva have spent the past week at the home of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clair Humphrey.

CHAUTEAUX UNDER FIRE

PARIS, Dec. 2. (AP)—Premier Camille Chautemps' six-day "public safety" cabinet was given a brief lease of life in its unsteady budget-balancing job by two votes of confidence in the chamber of deputies today while rumbles of a "work and bread" unrest reached the capital.

INSULT EXTRADITED

TORONTO, Dec. 2. (AP)—The appeal of Cook, the Illinois, for the return of Martin J. Insull to face trial in connection with the collapse of the Insull utilities system, was granted today by Justice A. C. Kingstone of the Ontario supreme court.

MINIMUM PRICE ON SUIT CLEANING SET

PORTLAND, Dec. 2.—Minimum prices which may be charged for cleaning women's plain dresses and men's suits were established in a codicil to the cleaning and dyeing industry code received by Frank Messenger, Oregon-Idaho NRA compliance director today.

The minimum prices which go into effect immediately, affect only Portland and its immediate trade area, and Boise and its immediate trade territory. Other sectors in the two states are not bound by the minimum prices, and cleaners outside the two metropolitan areas may continue to charge as they see fit.

Portland and Boise prices were set at 95 cents for cleaning a woman's plain dress, and 95 cents for cleaning and pressing a man's three-piece suit. "No cleaner in the Portland and Boise areas may charge less than these prices," Mr. Messenger declared. A ny lesser charge for these garments is a violation of the code, and is immediately punishable, it was declared.

Hunts are Hosts To Large Group By I. Davidson

ZENA, Dec. 2.—Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Hunt were hosts to a group of relatives at a large dinner Thursday. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Nelson and family, Edith, Hazel, Walter and Lewis; Mr. and Mrs. Stoutenberg and daughter Muriel, Mrs. L. E.

Girl Returns to School; Absence Due to Operation

Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Holland and daughter La Verner were Thanksgiving day guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Gibson of Gaston.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence F. Merrick and children Audrey and Chester, spent Thanksgiving day with Mr. and Mrs. William Berg of Salem. Mrs. Merrick and Mrs. Berg are sisters.

Prunk-Groves Nuptial Rites Held at Amity

AMITY, Dec. 2.—A wedding held at the home of M. L. Prunk united Miss Ernestine Groves and Mr. Prunk, Rev. D. W. Daniels, pastor of the Christian church, performed the ceremony. Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nevins, Mrs. Ernest Groves and Mrs. D. W. Daniels. Mr. Prunk is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Groves of Amity, a graduate of Amity high school and for a number of years has been assistant cashier of the Bank of Amity. Mr. Prunk is the owner

LYNCHING THREATENED

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 2. (AP)—Paul Kauffman, 35, condemned attacker and slayer of Avis Woolery, 16-year-old Webb City, Mo., girl, was removed from the Jackson county jail today and taken to the state penitentiary at Jefferson City for safe keeping because, officers reported, of lynching threats.

POLLY AND HER PALS



The Worm Turns

U-E ASKED TO TEAR UP TRACKS ON HIGH

Two actions not reported by the city zoning commission following its meeting Friday night were revealed yesterday.

The commission passed a resolution suggesting to the city council that the Oregon Electric Railway company be requested to remove its rails and poles and wires and pave the right-of-way strip on High street between Trade and a point just south of the Broadway-Liberty street intersection. This action, advocated by City Engineer Hugh Rogers, was taken because the strip of trackage in question has been disconnected at both ends, where track crossing occur.

The other resolution passed by the commission would require every petitioner for zone changes to pay a \$10 filing fee to cover expense of checking abstracts to determine validity of signatures on the petitions.

PROGRAM IS GIVEN AT BRUSH COLLEGE

BRUSH COLLEGE, Dec. 2.—The teachers of the Brush College school, Mrs. Mary Sehon, principal and Miss Edith Ross, primary room, were in charge of all arrangements when their pupils presented a Thanksgiving program Wednesday afternoon.

The upper grades presented two plays, "Homes of the Pilgrims in England" with historical setting, and "The Courtship of Miles Standish." The primary room gave a short play, "A Glad Thanksgiving." Five girls presented a play, "The Life of the Pilgrims." Primary room sang two songs, "The Sandman" and "The Little Rain-drops Soldiers." Patricia Coujon sang a solo, "Thanksgiving." Gordon Blodgett played a mandolin solo.

Legion Host to Legislators Here On Monday Night

Capital Post No. 9, American Legion, will entertain state legislators at its meeting at Fraternal temple Monday night, December 15. They will include Gertrude Cherrington, soprano; Mary Hughes, contralto; John Schmidt, tenor, and Kenneth Abbott, bass.

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GRIDMEN TO CLASH FOR CHARITY TODAY

DALLAS, Dec. 2.—Polk county charity funds will receive a boost tomorrow when members of the Dallas and Independence high schools alumni clash in a football game at Independence. All receipts from the game are to go to charity.

Both squads will be made up of graduates from the two schools and the game should prove to be a real battle with the traditional rivals back in the contest. The game is scheduled to start at 2:00 p. m. on the Independence high school field.

To the glory of the charity football games between these old time rivals was started last year when two games were played. Dallas won both games last year and it is expected that the Independence outfit will be hot for revenge and that Dallas will be just as hot to keep up the record.

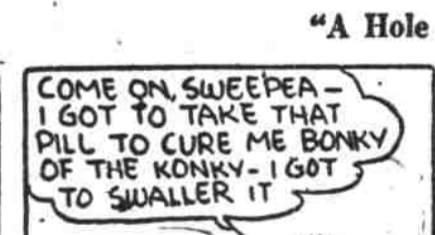
BLUEBEARD CASE EYED

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Dec. 2. (AP)—While Carl W. Wickman, 45 year-old pharmacist was held here on murder charges following a confession police said he made to slaying his fourth wife a week ago, preparations were under way in Denver to disinter the body of Wickman's second wife.

Thanksgiving Day 'Messiah' Soloist Parts Announced

Professor Loren Davidson yesterday announced the solo parts for the production of "The Messiah" which he will conduct at the Salem armory at 8:15 p. m., December 15. They will include Gertrude Cherrington, soprano; Mary Hughes, contralto; John Schmidt, tenor, and Kenneth Abbott, bass.

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Grass on a Busy Street

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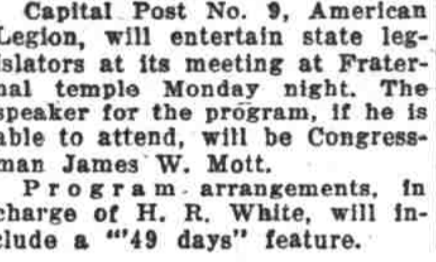
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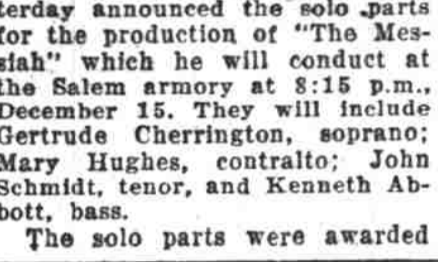
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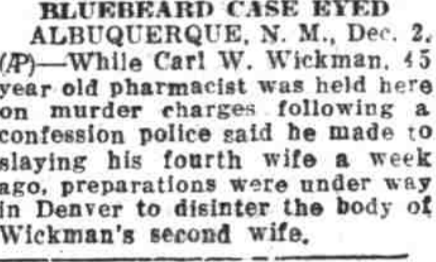
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