

## SOLONS WOULD SPLIT SESSION

Impossibility of Drafting Tie-in Legislation is Basis for Policy

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existing loose conditions in the sale of beer.

If the Rogue closing bill provokes anywhere near the debate of a typical session, this measure in the next few weeks can give the session a big job. The measure to close the Rogue did not drop into the house hopper until yesterday. Opposition to the proposal has weakened at the mouth of the Rogue in the four years which have elapsed since Senator Ed Miller got the Rogue closing bill through the assembly, only to lose on a referendum vote of the people. Tourist traffic has been picked up in Curry county and the cannery interests have been brought low by depression.

### Employees Pleased

#### Ways-Means Policy

State employees are pleased over the procedure the ways and means committee has adopted in recommending the new budget of appropriations. Salaries in the new appropriations are put back to the 1932 level but the committee plans a reduction in the salary of a uniformed officer, similar to that passed in 1933. What the employees hope for is that the "slush" bill will be less drastic and that the ways and means committee, having approved, a gross amount above 1933-1934, will not have that amount down to the level set by the 1933 reduction bill. Whether the ways and means committee will be that tight with its funds depends on the amount of money the total budget will run to and the latest word on relief money to be had when the final state appropriation bills are drawn.

The legislature is certain to pass a measure to put a check on the old Oregon custom of each department hiring its own attorney. Os West drafted a house bill which Representative Wallace introduced which does not compel a department to use the attorney-general's office provided the governor or the state board of control permit the hiring of special counsel at a stipulated charge. A more strict bill is in the senate wherein it is provided that all attorneys, save for land board and veterans' commission counsel, must come from the attorney-general's office and no loophole remains for the governor or the board of control to pick their own counsel. The latter measure will probably pass. The state liquor commission is already using the services of the attorney-general's office.

### Martin in Favor of Toll-Free Bridges

Governor Martin has given a powerful tonic to the coast group which wants free bridges by coming out openly for toll-free structures and lending his support to a new PWA bridge bill which is to be introduced early this week. The report is that the new bill will make toll-free bridges optional with the highway commission but Governor Martin is said to have pledged himself to provide a highway commission which would go down the line for free bridges.

The forthcoming week will bring out the old, old legislative bones of contention—a chain store tax, a policemen and firemen's pension bill from Portland, a stiff tax on tobacco, several small loan measures. The majority of these measures are certain of defeat although the motions of hearing, debate and a final vote will be accorded to them.

One need expect little material change in existing law and legislation. The 1933 code, as amended at the second special session of that legislative term, is essentially satisfactory. The truck and bus fight will not approximate the bitterness of two years ago.

The session is marked by lack of experienced, forceful leadership, particularly in the house. In the senate, there is much more experience and ability but the tendency is to let the democrats take the lead. Senator Zimmerman has been squeaked on every major proposal he has raised.

When important measures do come before the house, they are hurried through—in many instances without the debate to which the question involved entitles the bills. The state bar agency measure was a good illustration; two years ago the house and senate fought for hours on this proposal; in this session the measure went through both assemblies with a total debate of less than 30 minutes.

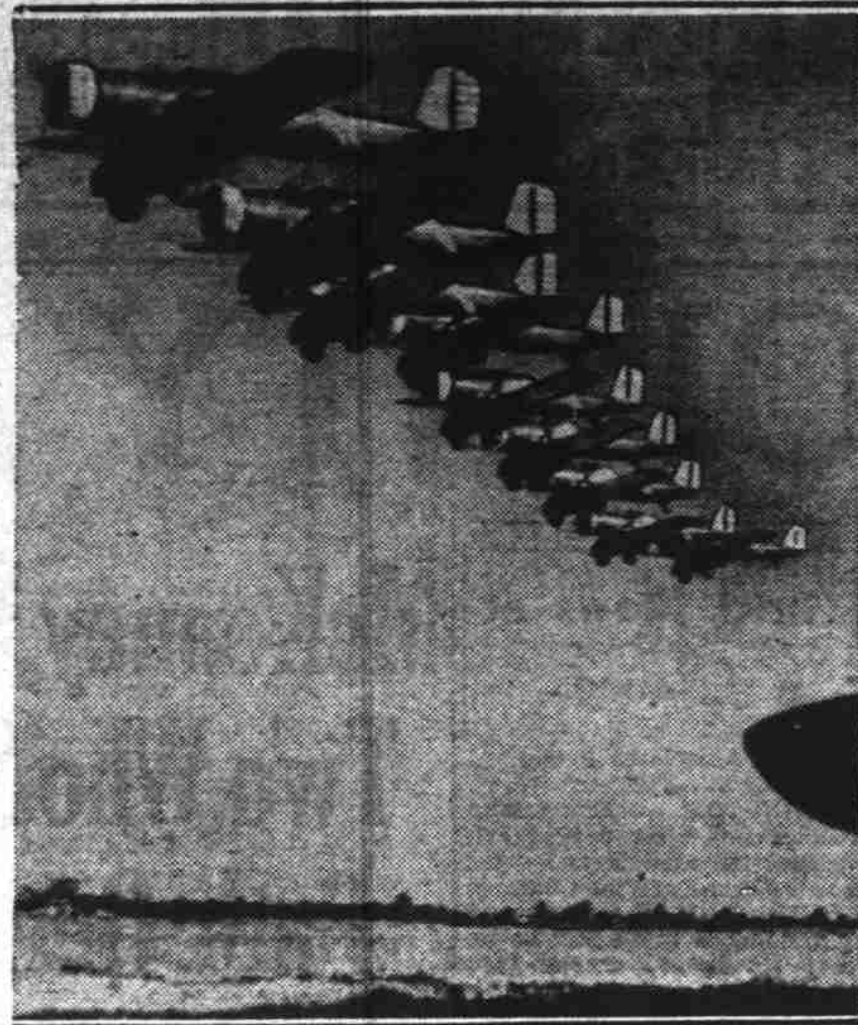
With the governor's office unwilling to become the driving force behind the legislature, the session will amble along the next fortnight. It will not conclude its work then. It may follow the cue of its leaders and adjourn to come back to Salem when the federal program is less conjectural than at the present writing.

### What Legislature Has Done to Date

(By the Associated Press)

Days in session 27.  
Bills introduced 64, amendments 254, house 391, resolutions and memorials 96.  
Measures passed 34.  
Signed by governor 20.  
Others passed by one house 133.  
Killed or withdrawn 66.  
Measures in committee 310.  
Ready for initial vote 44.  
Voted by governor 0.  
Of measures signed, 3 are new laws, 7 amendments, 3 repeal existing statutes and 2 are appropriation bills.

## Too Close for Comfort



Exhibition put on by Army attack group from Galveston, Tex., at Miami, Fla., air meet thrilled thousands as planes went through paces in formation shown. Commanders of two Army groups were grounded for leading their formations too close to spectators' stands.

## SOIL SESSIONS ARE HELD OVER COUNTY

A series of soil meetings, sponsored and conducted by County Agent Harry L. Riches, were held throughout the county last week.

The primary purpose of the meetings were to bring to the farmer the latest information relating to soil, soil fertility and irrigation.

C. V. Ruzek, professor of soils at Oregon State college and Arthur King, extension specialist in soils, talked at each of the meetings, stressing maintenance of soil fertility, proper irrigation and soil drainage and proper use of fertilizers.

Soil tests were made at the different meetings of samples brought by farmers. These tests showed the phosphorus content and the amount of acidity in the soil.

Farmers who desire to have tests made of soil on their farms can do so by bringing samples to the county agent's office, located in the postoffice building.

## Juror Challenge Right Change Is Proposed in Bill

Peremptory challenges of jurors allowed counsel for the defense in cases involving the death penalty would be cut from 12 to 9 and the state's right of challenge would be raised from six to nine under the provisions of House Bill 349 introduced yesterday.

In cases not involving the death sentence the number of challenges allowed the prosecution would be increased from three to six. Defendant's right to challenges would remain at six.

companion bill, H. B. 370, would forbid women from pleading exemptions as jurors. No civil officer could claim exemption as a juror under the change proposed in the law.

## Bonneville Unit Memorial Given Okeh in Senate

The senate Saturday approved a memorial by Representative Norton urging that the Bonneville power project be handled by the government as a separate unit, and not tied in with any other similar development.

Senator Pearson declared this was necessary in order for Oregon to retain the advantages of the Bonneville project and dispose of the electrical energy at the lowest possible cost.

## Dam Memorial Hearing Asked

A senate memorial introduced by the resolutions committee urging congress to enact legislation to provide for construction of transmission lines from Bonneville by the federal government, was referred to a committee for further consideration.

Senator Lee said a number of persons had requested a public hearing on this memorial.

## Washington Jrs. Defeat Gervais

WOODBURN, Feb. 9.—The Washington junior high school basketball team won Wednesday night from Gervais, 3 to 2, on the Gervais floor. The Washington team led 7 to 0 at the end of the half. The Woodburn team won from Gervais on the Woodburn floor last week, 14 to 7.

Wash. Jr. (8) Gervais Nelson ..... F. J. J. Cutsforth  
Hermanson ..... F. J. J. Cutsforth  
Woods ..... C. C. Selter  
Trop ..... G. B. Cutsforth  
Hill ..... G. B. Cutsforth  
Gurney ..... S. E. Cutsforth

### BILL SIDETRACKED

The senate Saturday postponed indefinitely a bill by Senator Stringer denying to vendors of real property upon contracts the right to waive such contracts and notes. The judiciary committee reported this measure out unfavorably.

## TOLL REMOVAL IS ACCEPTED BY PWA

The federal public works administration Saturday advised J. M. Devers, attorney for the state highway commission, that it had agreed to legislation which would eliminate tolls from the five Oregon coast highway bridges now under construction.

A bill drafted by the federal government accompanied the information. This bill will replace a measure already introduced in the house by Representative Caulfield.

Under the federal bill the bonds would be retired from other funds received by the state highway commission.

Both Governor Martin, and Ed Miller, president of the Oregon Coast Highway association, expressed themselves as pleased with the action of the government in agreeing to toll-free bridges.

## Brooktrout Wins In Do-Nut League

WOODBURN, Feb. 9.—The Do-Nut league games of basketball were recently finished at the high school and the results show the Brooktrout team in first place with the honor of winning all games played.

The Terrible Swedes ran a close second, tying with the winners once but losing when the tie was played out. A trophy cup will be purchased from the gate receipts of the games and on it the names of the winning team. The team playing and their percentages:

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|-----------------|-------|
| Brooktrout      | 1.000 |
| Terrible Swedes | .833  |
| House of David  | .714  |
| Mae Wests       | .666  |
| All-Stars       | .428  |
| Fan Dancers     | .333  |
| Colored Giants  | .285  |
| Kingfish        | .000  |

### CURE PETITION HAWKERS

The senate Saturday approved a bill introduced by Representative Thomas making it unlawful for a person to pay or receive money for the circulation of initiative, referendum or recall petitions. Senator Zimmerman said this bill had received the approval of the Oregon State Bar.

### LA GRANDE WINNER

LA GRANDE, Ore., Feb. 9.—(AP)—Breaking a half-time tie, the La Grande high basketball team turned on the heat, scored 14 points in three minutes and then went on to defeat Baker high 37 to 28 here last night.

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## GOVERNOR NOT URGING HASTE

Realistic Attitude Toward Power Development is Urged by Martin

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ity to pay. Many persons have the idea that we can raise millions of dollars monthly which is an utter impossibility. Nor will the funds be forthcoming from 'Wall Street' or some other fanciful source."

Governor Martin is not ready to make his formal recommendation on the 15-bill program sent here last week by PWA Administrator Ickes. He is waiting for his brain trust to review the proposals and he wants the advice of the attorney-general's office. The governor inferred in his conversation Saturday that he thought the state already had authority to form power districts if it needed them. As for districts financed by self-liquidating securities, Governor Martin sees little practicability in such proposals. "Who could buy the bonds?" he queried.

The governor is anxious that power at Bonneville be widely distributed, but he sees no sense in providing power lines—which many times cost as much as roads—for districts where consumers to be served do not justify the capital outlay. And where power lines already exist capable of carrying the power produced, Governor Martin is adverse to building duplicating distribution service. The lines should either be taken over by the state at a fair price or the power sold to existing utilities at a fair price.

Hysteria over power, or pensions, or relief does not fit into Governor Martin's scheme of things for Oregon's development. He wants the problems approached realistically with citizens of the state always bearing in mind the burden of additional debts and the inability of Oregon to stand new taxes.

### Appointments Coming Up at Monday Meeting

Governor Martin will ask the state board of control to meet with him again Monday. Additional decisions on the reapportionment of state institutions heads will probably be forthcoming; there may be some removals and new appointments. The administration is checking the ability of each incumbent in charge of the institutions and on this check will cast his vote on whether or not the head of the institution stays. Politics are out as far as the governor is concerned, he said yesterday.

Another chore for the board of control is the state land board inquiry where a thoroughgoing inquiry into the assets the state holds in foreclosed lands and the income the board is receiving from the property, will be thoroughly reviewed.

A stream of conferences has occupied the governor in his first four weeks in office. As a consequence he has included Saturday afternoon office work in his schedule and has seldom been able to quit his office during the week before 6 p.m. Sanguine that the state will come through its present uncertainties, the new governor is working with the legislature—at times impatient at delays and the trivialities of matters discussed by the assemblymen—but nevertheless unwilling to interfere with the legislative branch as tota more than is necessary.

## MORTGAGE BILL HELD UP

Senate Bill 16, by Goss, which relates to deficiency judgments in connection with mortgage foreclosures on real property, was laid on the table Saturday at the request of Senator Zimmerman. Zimmerman declared that this bill was important and should have further consideration. A majority of the judiciary committee reported adversely on the bill.

## LANDSCAPERS TO MEET

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## Where Bremer Was Held Captive



This layout shows scenes at a house near Bensenville, Ill., where federal agents say Edward G. Bremer, kidnaped St. Paul banker, was held a captive for 23 days in 1934. Top, exterior view of the house; below, left, the bedroom where Bremer was held prisoner, and below, right, the design on the wallpaper which Bremer had described to federal agents after his release.

## ALL PUBLIC LANDS WITHDRAWN, ENTRY

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stock grazing areas under the Taylor act.

The president said today's withdrawal, applicable to 12 states, was "pending determination of the most useful purposes to which they may be put in furtherance of the land program and conservation and development of natural resources."

He added that this land, not suited to profitable growing of crops, was destined for the conservation and development of forests, soil, and other natural resources, the creation of grazing districts, and the establishment of game preserves and bird refuges.

Although the interior department has not yet made final selection of the \$8,000,000 acres of grazing land, Chairman DeRoun (D-La.) of the house public lands committee has introduced a bill to extend it to the remaining areas suitable for livestock.

## Wolfe Services This Afternoon

Edward Wesley Wolfe, longtime resident of King's Prairie and Mad Creek, died in Portland Thursday at the age 73. He is survived by three sons, George and Gerald of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and Byron of Portland; daughters, Beatrice Rodenbaugh of Astoria, Nona Price of Eugene and Helen Case of Portland.

Funeral services will be held today at 2 p.m. with interment at Fairview cemetery.

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## TWO BREAK FROM JAIL; ONE CAUGHT

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courthouse, said he had heard no disturbance early in the evening and had gone to bed at 9:30 p.m., as was his custom. He did not hear the prisoners go as Strand unlocked the cells and window.

McKenney's wrists and several of his fingers were cut when Winslow arrested him. His wrists had been bandaged in the interval between the escape and his arrest.

Winslow said he saw two suspicious men on Court street near the Western Auto Supply company here. He called to them to stop. One man ran north in the alley between the store and the other headed for Front street. Winslow took after the man going up the alley. He turned out to be McKenney. Winslow shot twice into the air. McKenney did not halt. Winslow caught up with him and placed him under arrest. McKenney was not armed.

Police this morning said Cavin was a dangerous man with a prison record behind him. McKenney, when arrested, was under the influence of liquor. He said he got the liquor from "friends" and admitted Strand aided him in the getaway.

The prisoners were locked into the jail at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon by Bert Skith and W. R. Richardson of the sheriff's office. Some time between that time and the hour of the escape Strand obtained the keys.

The jail break last night is one of a number that have occurred at the courthouse in the last five years.

## Lewis McAdams Injured in Fall

Lewis McAdams, son of L. L. McAdams, arrived in Salem Friday night from Bremerton, Wash., where he was injured while working on a boat. He fell when a rope ladder broke, and fractured the same wrist which was broken in a fall from an airplane during the world war. He will remain at his father's home here for an indefinite time.

## Hawaii and W. U. Exchange Slated

Exchange of students between Willamette university and the University of Hawaii was approved by the university trustees at its Friday meeting, stated Pres. Bruce R. Baxter yesterday. Under the plan a student from the university here is given the privilege of attending the university in Honolulu for one year; and a student from that institution will attend Willamette. The exchange is thought will be beneficial both to students and to the institutions. At present a student from Hawaii is attending Willamette, though no student from here is in residence in the University of Hawaii.

## Three Arrested, Traffic Charges

City police last night booked three motorists on charges of traffic law violation as follows: Gladys E. Miller, Portland, speeding.

Charles W. Cross, Silverton, failing to stop.

E. Abrams, route two, failing to give right of way.

## MERL LARSON ILL

SILVERTON, Feb. 9.—Merl Larson, employed at a store in Salem, was brought to his home at Silverton ill Friday afternoon and Saturday morning underwent an emergency operation at the Silverton hospital. Larson is a son of W. C. Larson at Silverton.

## FRANKLIN NOSES OUT

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 9.—(AP)—The Franklin high basketball team widened its unsullied lead over the Portland prep league to tonight, but it was by virtue of a surprisingly slim victory, 25 to 25, over Commerce high.

## Legislative Calendar

Monday, February 11

House convenes at 10:30 a.m.

On final passage: H. B. 298, 299, 300, 302, 304, 307, 312, 318, 319, 326, 328, 329, 332, 334, 344, 357, 359, 362, 364, 366, 367, 369, 371, 373, 375, 377, 379, 381, 383, 385, 387, 389, 391, 393, 395, 397, 399, 401, 403, 405, 407, 409, 411, 413, 415, 417, 419, 421, 423, 425, 427, 429, 431, 433, 435, 437, 439, 441, 443, 445, 447, 449, 451, 453, 455, 457, 459, 461, 463, 465, 467, 469, 471, 473, 475, 477, 479, 481, 483, 485, 487, 489, 491, 493, 495, 497, 499, 501, 503, 505, 507, 509, 511, 513, 515, 517, 519, 521, 523, 525, 527, 529, 531, 533, 535, 537, 539, 541, 543, 545, 547, 549, 551, 553, 555, 557, 559, 561, 563, 565, 567, 569, 571, 573, 575, 577, 579, 581, 583, 585, 587, 589, 591, 593, 595, 597, 599, 601, 603, 605, 607, 609, 611, 613, 615, 617, 619, 621, 623, 625, 627, 629, 631, 633, 635, 637, 639, 641, 643, 645, 647, 649, 651, 653, 655, 657, 659, 661, 663, 665, 667, 669, 671, 673, 675, 677, 679, 681, 683, 685, 687, 689, 691, 693, 695, 697, 699, 701, 703, 705, 707, 709, 711, 713, 715, 717, 719, 721, 723, 725, 727, 729, 731, 733, 735, 737, 739, 741, 743, 745, 747, 749, 751, 753, 755, 757, 759, 761, 763, 765, 767, 769, 771, 773, 775, 777, 779, 781, 783, 785, 787, 789, 791, 793, 795, 797, 799, 801, 803, 805, 807, 809, 811, 813, 815, 817, 819, 821, 823, 825, 827, 829, 831, 833, 835, 837, 839, 841, 843, 845, 847, 849, 851, 853, 855, 857, 859, 861, 863, 865, 867, 869, 871, 873, 875, 877, 879, 881, 883, 885, 887, 889, 891, 893, 895, 897, 899, 901, 903, 905, 907, 909, 911, 913, 915, 917, 919, 921, 923, 925, 927, 929, 931, 933, 935, 937, 939, 941, 943, 945, 947, 949, 951, 953, 955, 957, 959, 961, 963, 965, 967, 969, 971, 973, 975, 977, 979, 981, 983, 985, 987, 989, 991, 993, 995, 997, 999.

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