

MEIER URGES RIGID UTILITY CONTROL

MANAGER PLAN AND UTILITIES BILLS OFFERED

Measure Would Pave Way For New Setup In Counties

SALARY CUTS ASKED

Colons Offer Bill Providing Closer Supervision Of Public Utilities

SALEM, Jan. 16.—(AP)—The message of Governor Julius L. Meier, urging support of measures giving the state more regulatory powers over public utilities, was followed immediately today by introduction of the seven-point program as recommended by Charles M. Thomas, utilities commissioner.

The message was read in both houses simultaneously, and referred to the committee on public utilities. The power bill, which includes among its provisions the reapture of excessive profits and charging utility companies for state investigations, was brought up by the committee.

Manager Plan Submitted

Senator Jay H. Upton of Bend introduced in the state senate a joint resolution and a companion bill providing for the managerial form of county government in Oregon, the proposed change in system to be optional with the counties.

The measures would eliminate all county elective offices except school superintendent, and provide for an unpaid board of commissioners who would have authority to appoint a county manager and fix his compensation. The manager would be empowered to appoint the various county officers and employees and, with the approval of board, fix their compensation. Among other duties the manager would prepare the county budget.

Salary Cuts Urged

The system would provide for a department of finance, department of public works, department of public welfare and department of education. The accompanying joint resolution provides for submitting to the people proposed constitutional amendment which would be necessary before a managerial law could be enacted.

A bill that would reduce the salaries of the highest paid state officers was introduced by Senator Burke. It would reduce the governor's salary from \$7000 to \$5500, the secretary of state from \$5400 to \$4500, the state treasurer from \$5400 to \$4500, and the attorney general from \$5000 to \$4500. A bill repealing the minimum wage law of teachers was among the bills introduced in the house and was by Representative B. F. Nichols of Douglas county. The measure would repeal that portion of the teachers' tenure act having to do with salaries of teachers now set at \$75 a month.

The house passed the resolution limiting the distribution of bills.

NEW ENVOY!



Expressing hope for "the co-operation of all nations" in attaining world business recovery, Stanislaus Patek, new Polish Ambassador to the United States, is pictured above as he appeared on his arrival in this country. He formerly was Poland's envoy to Soviet Russia.

MINING GROUP TO WORK ON MEASURES

State Committee Will Seek Legislation To Benefit Industry

Preparation of measures designed to obtain legislative aid for the development of mining in Oregon will be the work of a legislative committee of the Oregon State Mining Congress appointed Monday by R. M. Betts, president.

Members of the committee are Fred J. Blakeley, Jacksonville; Fred Cook, Portland; George S. Barton, Medford, and State Senator W. H. Strayer, of Baker. The committee will investigate the possibility of obtaining funds from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to aid the mining industry of the state.

B. K. Lawson of Cottage Grove, was elected vice-president of the state congress at the organization meeting in Salem Saturday and E. G. Harlan, secretary of the Eugene chamber of commerce, was named secretary-treasurer. District vice-presidents from six sections of the state were named as follows: eastern Oregon, J. C. Bowen; southern Oregon, Carl Ladewig; southwestern Oregon, L. A. Lilleqvist; central Oregon, Charles Timms; western Oregon, Dr. Warren D. Smith; Multnomah county, W. W. Elmer.

The legislative committee is to meet within a few days to prepare measures to be presented to the legislature. These bills will be prepared from the seven resolutions adopted at the state session in Salem Saturday.

These resolutions sought more prompt action on granting of water permits, opposed severance between surface and sub-surface rights, favored exemption of gold production from income or intangibles taxes, urged re-monetization of silver, endorsed a moratorium on annual assessment work for the period 1933, urged a mining exhibit from this state at the world's fair in Chicago and urged repeal of the law known as the Laborer's and Material Men's Lien law.

300 FEARED LOST

SHANGHAI, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Three hundred Chinese aboard the coastal steamer Hsin Ningtan were feared lost Sunday in Hangchow bay.

FILIPINO VETO MAY BE UPON TUESDAY

Senate Filibusterers Say They Will Not Delay Decision Longer

LONG STILL HAS FLOOR

Louisiana Member Fails To Yield For Speech On Prohibition

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(AP)—A vote on President Hoover's veto of the Philippine independence bill by tomorrow was indicated in the senate today as filibusterers against the Glass banking measure said they would not delay any longer a decision on the island issue.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Refusing to yield the floor for a previous announced speech on prohibition and preventing an agreement to vote tomorrow on the Philippine veto, Senator Long (D., La.), today began the fifth day of the senate filibuster against the Glass banking bill.

The Louisiana member, having the floor by prior right when the senate reconvened, declined at once to give it up to Senator Sheppard (D., Tex.), for his customary annual address on prohibition—this time to commemorate the thirtieth anniversary of the 18th amendment.

"If the senator will withhold that speech until the end of the week," Long said, "he can deliver his remarks over the death of prohibition."

"Of course I can not agree to that," Sheppard returned with a smile.

Senators McNary, the assistant republican leader, and Robinson, democratic chief, tried to address the chair in between Long's frequent observations that he would yield for "nothing but a question."

Robinson succeeded, however, in proposing an unanimous consent agreement to vote on the Philippine independence veto at the outset of tomorrow's session, but Long objected. He indicated he might yield for speeches on the Philippine bill, but no other measures.

D. A. R. MEMBERS WOULD STOP FORUM

Effort to stop the open forum at the Congregational church Sunday evening was made unofficially by members of the local Daughters of the American Revolution because they believed it "communist and not for the interests of the country." Isaiah Donnas and Alison Bristol of the Community farm out from Eugene were the speakers. Rev. Clay E. Palmer, pastor of the church, is said to have received several calls during the afternoon to change the program for the forum.

Mrs. S. E. Stevens, regent of the D. A. R., when asked about the matter, stated no official action had been taken by the D. A. R. in meeting, Friday, although the subject was discussed informally. She said she did not know that any of the members had called Rev. Mr. Palmer.

Japanese Charge Uncle Sam Aids China Prepare For War; U.S. Ambassador Issues Denial

TOKYO, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Charges that the United States was aiding China's war preparations against Japan were aired today in the Tokyo newspapers.

Joseph C. Grew, the American ambassador issued the following statement:

"Regarding rumors published in various newspapers in Japan to the effect that understanding was reached between the United States and China for supplying money, arms and munitions to China, the American embassy states emphatically there is no understanding or agreement of this nature between the United States and China. There is no basis whatever of rumors which have been published, including a rumor the United States arranged to loan the Nanking government 20,000,000 yen (nearly \$4,000,000)."

Stage Lines Defendent In Damage Suits

Two damage suits were filed in circuit court Monday against the Pacific Greyhound Lines, Inc. by principals in the New Year's day automobile accident in which Mrs. Vernon Bailey of Eugene was killed. The complaints charged the stage company with negligence and asked for \$3,225 damages.

J. W. Ostrander of Gold Beach, whose car the stage was passing when the accident occurred, sued for \$1500 personal injury damages and \$225 damages to his car. His companion, Edith Bonar, sued for \$1500.

Both complaints stated that the stage driver drove his stage against the Ostrander automobile forcing it into the ditch. The stage was said to have been going 45 or 50 miles an hour. The complaints charged the stage driver with failure to drive at a safe distance and failure to clear the Ostrander car before turning into it.

Ostrander included in his list of injuries physical shock, nervous shock, loss of sleep, mental pain, physical pain, great soreness in the abdomen, great pain in the right side, headache, aches and soreness over the whole body, sprained right knee and right shoulder, sprained back, trembling and nervousness and a bad cold as a result of getting out of his car in a heavy rain.

Mrs. Bonar included practically the same injuries.

Prohibition Anniversary Finds Rival Camps Girded For Fray

(By United Press)

Monday was the 13th anniversary of national prohibition.

Enthusiastic were believe it may be the last. Determined drys are marshaling their forces for their hardest fight since the 18th amendment was enacted.

F. Scott McBride, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league, said: "Nation-wide constitutional prohibition is even more valuable and more important now than 13 years ago when the 18th amendment was adopted."

"Legalized liquor now would be more dangerous and deadly than it was 13 years ago."

"If liquor were legal in these days of economic distress, the suffering for want of food, clothing, and shelter would be infinitely greater than it is with the 18th amendment in effect. The 18th amendment stands today as the most successful method of curbing drinking and drunkenness that has ever been tried."

"The election of 1934 will furnish an opportunity to register the real will of the people without confusion of a presidential campaign and the coercion of party planks."

Mrs. William Beverley Mason, legislative chairman of the Women's Organization for National Prohibition Reform, said:

"The 13th anniversary of prohibition will be its last. Prohibition has been an experiment that has failed in the test tubes of public opinion after more than a dozen years of attempted but increasingly unsuccessful enforcement."

"Thirteen years is ample time for any experiment. Prohibition's failure was overwhelmingly voiced on Nov. 8, last, and a vast majority of voters in this country are now impatiently waiting for the next logical step—the outright repeal of the 18th amendment."

Rufus Lusk, national legislative officer of the Crusaders, said:

"Let the drys stage a great celebration today. It may be their last chance to commemorate the birth of the most disastrous social experiment in America's history."

The murder of almost 3000 and the jailing of a half million of our people, the poisoning, paralyzing and blinding of countless men, women and children, the pending of over a half billion in enforcement, and the loss of \$17,000,000,000 in taxes. All these are stubborn facts which stand out in prohibition's 12-year record, and because the American people now know them to be facts, the 13th anniversary is on the way out of the constitution."

STATE LEGION IN SESSION AT SALEM MONDAY

Veterans' Aid Commission, Child Welfare, Other Topics Discussed

REFERRED TO GROUPS

Executive Session Is Set For Afternoon To Take Up Questions

SALEM, Jan. 16.—(AP)—The world war veterans' state aid commission, national defense, child welfare, Americanism, and veterans' welfare were discussed at the state meeting of the American Legion here today to consider legislative recommendations.

A general resolutions committee of 25 was sub-divided into five groups to consider these questions and to report back to an executive meeting which was set for 2:30 o'clock this afternoon to which Governor Julius L. Meier, State Senate President Fred Kiddle and Speaker of the House Earl Snell were invited.

Child Welfare Stressed

Frank Sever of Portland spoke on the needs of the criminal syndicalism law and strengthening aids to federal immigration authorities. William Kietzer of Portland urged the preservation of the child welfare commission and told of the part the national American Legion has played in this work and its subsequent savings to the state.

Major General George A. White told how the ardent bonus supporters have now turned strict economists, with general public indifference towards the army, navy and national guard. The guard is no longer a "state militia," he said, and the federal payroll in Oregon each year is in excess of \$500,000 in 21 of the counties where armories are located.

Welfare Work Carried On

State Adjutant Carl Moser of Portland, declared that through the soldiers' and sailors' commission the welfare work of the American Legion has been administered. It is service work among veterans more than \$210,000 has been expended as a result of federal appropriations, he said.

Other presentations will be made at later sessions today.

DELEGATION ASKS FOR COUNTY ROAD

Several men from Silettes appeared before the county court Monday afternoon and asked the county to build a road to connect their homes with the Oregon coast highway.

Then want the county to locate and build a road this year which would leave the highway west of Whoonink lake and serve the Whoonink and Silettes lake country. A number of persons living in that area would be served, they told the court.

This project has been up for discussion a number of times in the last few years. Two locations have been made for a road, but none has been adopted for construction.

The delegation also recommended that the court reappoint N. L. Austin road supervisor for the lakes district. The visitors said that 98 per cent of the residents of the community favor Austin. A petition urging the appointment of G. G. Earhart for this district has also been presented to the county court.

Legion Votes to Assist With Room

At a special meeting called Sunday afternoon the American Legion here voted to cooperate with the service clubs in establishing a room where the unemployed might gather to play cards and checkers or read magazines. The place for the room has not yet been decided.

The Legion will assist unemployed veterans by hiring them to build tables, benches, and chairs for the room, keep it swept and cleaned and doing other work for its upkeep, the money for this to come from the Legion's fund for relief.

All members of the Legion have expressed their hearty approval of the project.

Switched License Plates Bring Fine

Howard Trawick of Eugene was fined \$5 in justice court Monday for operating an automobile with switched license plates.

He was arrested by state police.

MRS. CATT 74!



Mrs. Carris Chapman Catt, celebrated peace advocate and suffrage worker, was 74 years old when she posed for this birthday picture in her home at New Rochelle, N. Y. She expressed amazement at the flood of congratulations and good wishes which were sent to her from all over the world.

FARM RELIEF BILL HELP UP FEW DAYS

Senator Smith Wants Talk With Roosevelt Before Acting

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(AP)—At the request of Senator Smith (D., S. C.) the senate agriculture committee today agreed to defer action on the domestic allotment farm relief bill until he has conferred with President-Elect Roosevelt. This Smith planned to do immediately.

After a brief general discussion, the committee recessed until tomorrow morning.

Senator Smith, who has indicated doubts of the practicability of the plan, obtained assurance that nothing would be done at once; and thereupon arranged to leave for New York to see the next president.

Within half an hour after the committee met, the South Carolinian, its ranking democrat, boarded a train to seek definite information as to the Roosevelt views on the plan which, as passed by the house, would undertake to guarantee to the farmer pre-war prices on wheat, cotton, tobacco, rice, peanuts, butterfat and hogs.

Roosevelt has been described as in sympathy with the principle of the bill.

Since the bill passed the house last week by a vote of 293 to 151 the measure has found like warm reception among some democrats of the senate.

Senator Smith expressed his own attitude by saying he would not support a measure which he regarded as of doubtful practicability.

As now written the bill has failed to satisfy such independent republican farm belt senators as Frazier (R., N. D.), who said today, "I don't like it very well. I think it should be changed." He added, however, that he favored a bill of the same general character.

LATE NEWS FLASHES!

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Theodore Joslin, secretary to President Hoover, told newspapermen today that Mr. Hoover had decided against issuing a statement on fiscal and budgetary matters today, the possibility of which had been indicated earlier by Secretary Mills.

Joslin intimated but would not say definitely that a statement or message might be forthcoming tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Legislation making available \$75,000,000 for 1933 crop production loans was passed today by the house. It now returns to the senate for action on amendments. The vote was 178 to 69. The bill as originally proposed would have allowed \$103,000,000 but it was amended.

PORTLAND, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Two amateurish but determined holdup men entered a confection-

PROTECTION DEMANDED FOR PUBLIC

Governor Blames Lack Of Supervision For Loss To Investors

PROPOSALS OUTLINED

More Regulatory Powers For Commissioner Held Needed

SALEM, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Attributing the growth and crash of such great utility monopolies as the Insull pyramid to the failure of the national congress and state legislatures to supervise and regulate their financial organization and bond and security operations Governor Julius L. Meier today commended to both houses of the Oregon legislature pending measures to control and regulate the financing of private utilities operating within the state, and urged that congress be memorialized to enact similar national legislation.

The governor's recommendations, contained in a written message, specifically advocates the program contained in the seven-point plan sponsored by Charles M. Thomas, state utilities commissioner. The message reads:

Public Bliking Hit

"Since recommending in my inaugural message two years ago the enactment of legislation conferring on the public utilities commissioner jurisdiction over public utility stocks, bonds, obligations, mergers, consolidations, purchases and sales of property, you have witnessed the collapse of one public utility concern after another—among them Insull, the Napo leon of power."

"Most, if not all, of these giant financial crashes in the public utility field were primarily due to frenzied holding company financing and its accompanying evils of watered stocks, false financial statements, colored reports and market juggling to wheedle the public into buying utility securities."

Exploitation End Near

"It was Insull who devised and developed the modern system of holding company financing, his ultimate purpose being a far flung utility empire. "It had all the devices that the ingenuity of corporation lawyers could invent to extract unearned and exorbitant earnings from operating utilities and siphon them on to the head of the octopus."

"It became the model for public utility financing in the new era—among them the Central Public Service company of this state, which was dominated by the Albert E. Pierce group of Chicago, and which was recently investigated by our public utilities commissioner with astounding disclosures and revelations."

"In my judgment the collapse of Insull and other utility magnates who adopted this holding company system of financing marks the last phase of a long period of unrestrained exploitation of America, its resources and people."

Insults Dominate Politics

"If the bankrupting of these public utility enterprises involved only those at the head of the financial structure the consequences would not be so disastrous to the country."

"But it involves also a commodity vital to our modern life, essential business institutions, and the life savings of hundreds of thousands of people."

"Incidentally it may be remarked in passing that these utility failures throw an ironic light on the much-

ery here today, held two proprietors and eight customers at bay with guns and escaped with about \$1200. They were driven away at high speed by a third man in a stolen automobile bearing leaders' license plates."

NAIROBI, Kenya, Africa, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Joan Page and Audrey Salebarker, two English girls flying from Cape Town to London, have been forced down in a desolate spot where wild animals abound, 40 miles from here, and assistance is on the way by motor truck and airplane.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(AP)—The supreme court today refused to review the decision by which the District of Columbia court of appeals sustained the radio commission in refusing to renew the license of station KGEF at Los Angeles, because of addresses over it by Rev. Robert P. Shuler, recently defeated as a candidate for United States senator.

Weather News:

OREGON: Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday; little change in temperature; gentle to moderate variable winds offshore.

LOCAL STATISTICS: Minimum temperature Monday, 27 degrees. Maximum Sunday, 38. Precipitation, 0.2 of an inch. Willamette river, 2 ft. Wind from north.

SUSLAW TIDES: Tuesday, high, 4:05 a. m.; 4:07 p. m.; low, 10:20 a. m.; 10:15 p. m. Wednesday, high, 4:48 a. m.; 5:04 p. m.; low, 11:15 a. m.; Thursday, high, 5:36 a. m.; 5:04 p. m.; low, 12:42 p. m.

Jobless Band Together And Swap Work For Necessities

Editor's Note: This is the second story in a series of six describing the growth of the "Back to Barter" movement which is fast gaining headway throughout the United States.

By ROBERT TALLEY (NFA Service Writer)

In Omaha, Neb., George Redding, a wireless railroad man, trumped the streets each day looking in vain for back like hundreds of others. Each night when he went home he felt a little more desperate.

In Minneapolis, Rev. George Mecklenburg, pastor of Wesley Methodist church, saw the relief work of his church breaking down under the sheer weight of pleas of moneyless families for food, clothing and shelter.

In Salt Lake City, Utah, Benjamin B. Stringham, a real estate operator, saw the daily increasing number of homeless men who sat on the benches in downtown park, with nothing to offer but their unwanted labor.

Their organizations are merely

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Assault Case On In Justice Court

John Ross of Eugene went on trial in justice court Monday afternoon charged with assault and battery.

He is alleged to have beaten D. O. Hurlburt with his fists.

Members of the jury were David Auld, C. W. Mullen, J. W. Shumate, E. V. Kingman, Henry Carroll and T. B. Stebno.

ACTOR DIES

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Jan. 16.—(AP)—A veteran of the stage and screen, Pat Rooney, 42, died here yesterday at his home after an illness of more than a year. He had undergone three operations for stomach ailments and for abscessed lungs.

MAN IS ARRESTED

Frank Bounds, arrested by city police on charges of reckless driving, pleaded guilty when he appeared in justice court Monday afternoon and his case was continued for sentence.

MERMOZ SIGHTED

PARIS, Jan. 16.—(AP)—The South American Cable company reported today that Jean Mermoz, flying from Paris to Buenos Aires was near St. Paul's Rocks are a group of low-lying barren islands on the South Atlantic something more, than 600 miles from the South American coast.

Four Injured In Auto Crash; Man Said To Be Drunk

MEDFORD, Ore., Jan. 16.—(AP)—Four persons were injured in an auto accident on the Pacific highway, near this city Sunday when a machine driven by Clyde R. Fullerton, laundry wagon driver of Roseburg, crashed head-on, state police say, into the auto driven by George McMahon of Talent. Laura McMahon, four, sustained a fractured skull, her mother a badly cut and injured knee, her father severe bruises. Fullerton sustained minor cuts and bruises.

The accident occurred late Sunday afternoon. State police this morning filed a drunken driving charge against Fullerton. The crash occurred at a curve and the authorities allege that Fullerton was driving on the wrong side of the road. Fullerton, the state police say, was accompanied by Agnes Weatherston of Roseburg.

Woodrow Wilson's Daughter Dies In Cambridge Sunday

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 16.—(AP)—Mrs. Jessie Wilson Sayre, daughter of President Woodrow Wilson and life-long worker in social service and the cause of world peace, died late last night. She was 45.

Mrs. Sayre, wife of Professor Francis R. Sayre, newly appointed state commissioner of correction and a member of the Harvard law school faculty, succumbed to the effects of a gall bladder operation performed Saturday morning in the Cambridge hospital.

The Wilson-Sayre wedding, was the first in the White House since Alice Roosevelt married Representative Nicholas Longworth. Besides Professor Sayre, Mrs. Sayre is survived by her three children, Francis, Jr., Ellnor, and Woodrow Wilson Sayre.

The funeral will be held in Christ church here on Wednesday, and interment will be at Bethlehem, Pa., Thursday.

Man Who Walked Out, Walks Back In

Freedom, or \$7.10?

Which would you choose? Ed Murphy, who, after being arrested by police on charges of intoxication recently, walked out of jail in company with several lodgers but forgot the \$7.10, overcoat and hat that had been taken from him the night before, decided to go for the \$7.10.

He walked back into the police station Monday and surrendered. His case was to be disposed of late Monday afternoon.