

SENATE, HOUSE DEADLOCKED ON FAIR MEASURES

EXPECT INCOME TAX TO FAIL

FAIR'S FUTURE DARK

House Tables Resolution For Noon Adjournment—Senate May Get Away Tonight—Minor Changes Asked In Highway Bills.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
SALEM, Dec. 23.—Senate and house, of the Oregon legislature, are deadlocked on fair tax legislation today. The house passed the gasoline tax bill, and three highway bills, and now the senate is awaiting its action on the Bean income tax bill, which will probably fail. Meanwhile, the highway committee holds all bills passed by the house from senate action. It looks dark for the fair.

The house tabled a resolution to adjourn at noon today. The senate has not acted on its resolution, but may get away tonight provided it gets action on fair and road bills this afternoon.

Police Power Given
By a vote of 27 to 3 the senate passed house bill number five extending to the state highway commission concurrent police jurisdiction over the highways with local police authority. A companion bill, house bill 21, placing for hire vehicles under the control of the public service commission, was returned to committee for minor amendment.

The senate roads committee reported bill No. 4, the third highway bill favorably with slight amendment. Senator Moser led the attack on house bill 21, suggesting the clearing up of the section regarding indemnity bonds.

TO TESTIFY MAJOR SHOT DOWN SOLDIER

World War Veteran To Back The Charges of Overseas Killings Made By Senator Watson.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Grayson son H. Withrow, world war veteran, came forward today to back up Senator Watson's charges that soldiers were shot down, and hanged, without just cause in France. Withrow will testify on January 4, when the senate committee resumes hearing, that he saw Major Opie of Staunton, Va., shoot down an American soldier in action.

TREATY BACKERS SURE OF SUCCESS

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
DUBLIN, Dec. 23.—Basing their belief upon the easy majority with which they effected adjournment of Dail Eireann yesterday, treaty proponents, led by Collins and Griffiths, claimed assurance today for ultimate ratification of the pact by the Dail Eireann upon reassembling January 3.

PLAYLET GIVEN IN SOCIETY PROGRAM

"On Christmas Eve" Title of Lowell's Entertainment—Tableau and Musical Numbers Please.

A playlet, "On Christmas Eve," was the principal number of the Lowell literary society program given at the Junior high school assembly this afternoon. Many parents of those taking part were visitors. Katherine Addink played the leading part. Others in the playlet were Edna Fox, Kenneth Ballantyne, Helen Sumner, Claire Payne, Hollis Swingle, Earl Corbett, James Bond, Vosta Bevans, Margaret Wattle, Roy Kutch.

Other numbers on the program were a violin duet by Lela McFadden, and Samuel McKeown; a piano solo by Margaret King and a tableau "Holy Night," accompanied by violin and piano music by Lela McFadden and Samuel McKeown and Florence Currie.

Socialist Chief Due For Release From U.S. Prison

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A high administration official today informed the United Press that Eugene V. Debs, socialist leader, would leave Atlanta penitentiary today a free man after two and one-half years imprisonment. Other political prisoners are also to be pardoned. Torrehaut, Ind., is preparing to give Debs a royal welcome.

BOOTLEG BOOZE YIELDS POISON

WARNING IS ISSUED BY CHEMISTS

Hundreds of Samples of Liquor Sold As "Bonded Goods" Found To Contain Fusel Oil—Slow Asphyxiation Declared Result.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23.—The "Grim Reaper" is stalking at your side. Casket, hearse and grave are staring you squarely in the face.

Within five years—if you don't watch your step—there'll be enough of you to fill every cemetery in the country.

This warning to present day drinkers was sounded here today by leading analytic and consulting chemists.

Men and women indulging in drinks banned by the eighteenth amendment are, the experts say, slowly but surely asphyxiating themselves. Unsuspectingly, they are assimilating poisons found in almost every so-called "pure, bonded" liquor in these times of bootleggers, amateur distillers and home brewers, according to Assistant City Chemist J. M. Kovachy.

Analysis Shows Poison Present
Hundreds of samples of the "real stuff" have been brought to Kovachy for analysis. All, thus far, he says, contained a high percentage of fusel oil. This substance, Kovachy claims, causes the lips and body to turn blue and removes oxygen from the blood.

Fusel oil, the assistant city chemist explained, is a product of fermentation. It consists of a combination of the higher alcohols of which amy is the chief constituent.

Adulteration Common
"Illicit peddlers of whisky," says Kovachy, "employ ethylacetate for flavoring purposes in some cases. One of the greatest dangers is that the illicit manufacturer of home brews does not know the proportions to be used in making his product.

"It is true a portion of the contents of many bottles is pure bonded whiskey," asserts M. E. Curtis, proprietor of the Chemical Laboratories. "But," continued Curtis, "the good liquor is mixed with ingredients that are harmful to the human system."

Acetone, derived from wood alcohol, is being utilized largely in the manufacture of modern drinks, according to Curtis.

SPECK HEADS BLUE LODGE

SUCCEEDS J. L. GAITHER—OFFICERS FOR 1922 ELECTED OR APPOINTED AND INSTALLED AT MEETING LAST NIGHT.

W. R. Speck was installed as worshipful master of Bend Lodge No. 139, A. F. & A. M., following last night's annual election, succeeding J. L. Gaither. Roy W. Cooper was installed as senior warden; A. O. Schilling, junior warden; K. E. Sawyer, treasurer; J. D. Davidson, secretary; C. L. Stimpson, chaplain.

Officers appointed by the new worshipful master, and installed last night, were Ashley Forrest, senior deacon; V. P. Webb, junior deacon; Vernon Mahny, senior steward; W. D. Evans, junior steward; J. L. Gaither, marshal; J. J. Cunningham, tyler.

CONFERENCE TO REACH END BY FIRST OF YEAR

FORESEE AGREEMENT ON ALL ISSUES

DEVELOPMENTS VITAL

French Delegation Given Authority To Use Discretion In Accepting Number of U-Boats And Light Craft Thought Necessary.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The American delegation confidently expects an agreement by arms conference on all phases of limitation of naval armament before the first of the New Year, a member of the delegation declared today. Developments of the last two days, not yet revealed, inspire this opinion, it was learned.

DELEGATION TO DECIDE

PARIS, Dec. 23.—The French delegation at Washington will not hold out for a specific ration of submarines or lighter naval craft, but will be permitted to accept any figure they believe necessary for French security, according to an official announcement today.

SEASON AWARDS MADE BY COACH

SIX LETTERS AND 7 STRIPES FOR FOOTBALL, 9 LETTERS FOR BASEBALL GIVEN OUT AT HIGH SCHOOL ASSEMBLY.

Six letters and seven stripes for football and nine letters for baseball were awarded at the high school yesterday afternoon. Football letters were given out by Coach Charles W. Erskine, who praised the work of each man and the spirit of the team as a whole.

Football letters were awarded to Darrel Eslick, Durward Howell, James McNeely, Lloyd Blakeley, Reuben Nelson and Leo Kohfeld. Stripes for a second, third or fourth year on the team went to Elmer Johnson, Garden Dent, Captain Guy Claypool, Edward Norcott, Philip Philbrooks, Gale Blakeley and Charles Boyd.

Baseball letters for last spring were given to Edward Norcott, Buell Orrell, Lloyd Blakeley, Kenneth Moody, Ralph Haner, Harold Lamb, Earl Tucker, Maurice Swigert, and Captain Dee McRoberts. Of these, Haner is now attending Columbia university in Portland; Lamb is at Whitman college, Walla Walla; Tucker is attending Madras high school. Swigert has gone to Washington to live and McRoberts is attending Salem high school.

STEVE STEIDL WEDS MISS ROSE HUNNELL

Son of Bend Pioneer Claims Local Girl As Bride In Quiet Wedding At the M. E. Parsonage.

Steve Steidl, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Steidl, pioneer residents of Bend, and Miss Rose Hunnell, also of this city, were quietly married Wednesday at the Methodist parsonage. Rev. J. Edgar Purdy, pastor of the church, pronouncing the marriage service. Alfred Hannell, brother of the bride, and Miss Isabel Smith were the witnesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Steidl are making their home at the Littlefield apartments on Hawthorne avenue.

BEND STORES TO BE CLOSED ON MONDAY

Not only will Bend do the last of its Christmas shopping tomorrow, but it must take care of its needs for Monday as well. The fact that Christmas falls on a Sunday is responsible for the fact that the establishments of local merchants will remain closed on Monday.

Seek Booze Cache, Find Man's Bones In Seattle Attic

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
SEATTLE, Dec. 23.—Searchers for a booze cache today discovered human bones in an attic here, and an investigation is now on to establish the identity of the dead man. Frank Teetola, occupant of the house, denied ever having seen them before. He was arrested.

CHRISTMAS FOR DISABLED SURE

LEGION TO CARE FOR VETERANS

Visits To Homes of The Sick And Wounded Ex-Service Men, And Entertainments Included In Plan of New Commander.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 23.—Disabled veterans and their dependents in every community in the United States will be cared for Christmas Day by American Legion members, according to plans announced today by national headquarters of the ex-service men's organization.

Visits to the homes of sick and wounded ex-service men and to their families will be made by the Legionnaires and special committees will take care of the men still in hospitals. Entertainments and presents will be provided for the incapacitated veterans.

In connection with the Christmas visits, Legion investigators will obtain information in regard to striking cases of neglect of the disabled and their families, following which action the members of the local posts will take up the claims of these men with the government and will assist their families in getting proper care.

Information Gained

Information in regard to the location of disabled men is being ascertained through Legion post meetings, the Red Cross, local medical organizations, county and city officials, and if necessary, through house-to-house work by Legion committees.

"This is not a charity affair," said Hanford MacNider, National Commander of the Legion. "It is the Christmas thought of one ex-service man for another. It does not matter whether the disabled lad is a Legion man or not; it is a Christmas greeting between ex-service men."

WANT GIRL TO CLEAR MYSTERY

CLARA SKARIN EITHER WENT INSANE ON FINDING GREAT UNCLE DEAD, OR KILLED HIM HERSELF, SAY POLICE.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
SEATTLE, Dec. 23.—Captain of detectives Charles Tennant has issued instructions to every coast city today to apprehend Miss Clara Skarin, also known as Clara Windborn, in connection with the murder of Ferdinand Hochbrunn here two months ago. Police believe Clara either ran away from Seattle, insane at finding her great uncle dead, or had committed crime herself.

Mrs. Chedotal, occupying the room beneath the death chamber, declared that Clara had been in Hochbrunn's apartment since the probable date of the murder.

Clara's relatives deny the girl was implicated, stating she went to California for her health, eating Thanksgiving dinner with them before leaving. Mrs. Baesman, an aunt, saw her to the train. She declared the girl was not excited.

MOOSEHEART LEGION INSTALLATION SET

Installation of recently elected officers of the Ladies of the Mooseheart Legion will be postponed until the next meeting night of the organization, the second Saturday in January. There will be no lodge tomorrow night.

900 CHILDREN GIVEN TREATS AT EXERCISES

JOIN IN COMMUNITY OBSERVATION

ATTENDANCE RECORD

Program Headed By Shevlin-Hixon Band Enjoyed by Children—Santa Claus Received With Joy—Exercises Well Presented.

Nine hundred children attended last night's community Christmas tree, staged at the American Legion building by the Sunday schools; and if the applause accorded the various numbers is any criterion, all of them enjoyed the various numbers from the opening concert by the Shevlin-Hixon band to the final appearance of Santa Claus through the fireplace on the stage.

The auditorium was not quite so crowded as it was for the community tree a year ago, but for the reason that the children were given first opportunity to get seats, more of them were able to enjoy the program; and since little folk do not take up so much room as their elders, it is safe to say that there were more people in the building last night than ever before in its history. Fifty people were turned away when Fire Chief Carlson decided that the building would hold no more safely.

Attractive boxes of candy, the treat arranged by the Woman's Civic league, were passed among the children shortly after Santa Claus arrived, and although 904 boxes had been prepared, there were a few children who received none.

Numbers Interesting

The youthful performers in the several exercises prepared by the Sunday schools were all well drilled, and presented a well balanced and interesting program. Among the most striking were the musical exercise "Why the Chimes Rang Out," "The Star," a drill participated in by 20 girls, and the tableau "Rock of Ages."

Clever recitations by the little folks were all pleasing, including "Christmas," by Edith Holt, "A Boy's Wants," "Advice," by Roberta Bennett, "A Christmas Wish," by Virginia Carpenter and "Farewell" by Robert Friberg.

Little Folk Take Part

Exercises by the younger children were "A Golden Word," by five children of the Baptist Sunday school, the song "O Night of Gladness" by Hugh Clapp, Mary Bennett and Lena Dyer, a Christmas exercise by Lundy Orr, Ralph Grimes, Marie Friberg, John Curry, Dorothy Curry and Wesley Lucas, and "Half a Dozen Snow Birds," by Vernon Forbes, Jr., Robert De Armond and Walter Pease.

Those taking part in "Why the Chimes Rang Out," were Connie Mahoney, Mary Hennessy, Violet De Boer, Mary Holland, Margaret Jonas, Katherine Dugan, Sarah Davis Helen McLaughlin, Ruth Garske, Luella Halverson, Mary Miller. The exercise was directed by Misses Marie Brostehous, Mary Cody and Eva Roach.

The tableau "Rock of Ages" was portrayed by Florence Curry, Marie Friberg, Grace Linton, Lulu McFadden and Anna McNeal, while the song was sung by Miss Dolores Catlow.

Girls who appeared in "The Star" drill were Florence Brown, Gladys Connolly, Erma Lehrmann, Mary Broughton, Eloise Spencer, Dorothy Taylor, Margaret Whipple, Mary Reynolds, Vesta Bevans, Hollis Swingle, Bessie Howard, Anna Mary McKinley, Stella Claypool, Thelma Culler. They were directed by Miss Hazel Hazelton and Miss Mary Ellen Yensen.

"A Golden Word" was participated in by William McCluskey, Xvie Ketchum, Madge Smith, Maxine Sawyer and James McCluskey. Mrs. T. H. Foley was in charge of this number.

Members of the committee in charge of the tree were Rev. J. Edgar Purdy, chairman; Mrs. R. S. Hamilton, Miss Christina Curry, Mrs. C. V. Enloe, Mrs. T. W. Ripley. Sunday schools and churches taking part were the Methodist, Catholic, Episcopal, Presbyterian, Baptist and Christian. American Legion members assisted in providing the tree and decorations.

BEND AUTO MEN STAND AGAINST GASOLINE BILL

TAX TOO HEAVY NOW DECLARED

VISITORS PENALIZED

State Would Be Guilty of Inhospitality, Asserted—Auto Taxes Already Highest In Union—Reduces Road Funds, Claimed.

Garage, service station, and auto repair men of Bend stand almost solidly against the three cent gasoline tax now before the legislature to furnish a means of financing the 1925 Portland exposition. The bill would replace the two cents per gallon tax now in effect, and would add two cents to fair purposes and one cent for roads where the income from the present tax is all devoted to road work. The exact terms of the measure are not definitely known here, but the fact that an increase on gasoline was contemplated was sufficient for practically all local business men connected with the auto industry who were interviewed this morning.

"I am very much opposed to the measure," W. G. Coombs, of the Bend garage, declared. "Autos and gas are standing the limit of taxation now. We would be inviting guests to come to Oregon, and then make them pay for the state fair at the same time that we are trying to popularize our scenery and highways. To me it seems much like asking a friend to dinner and then telling him that you would depend on him to furnish the salad. I have wired to representative Overturf stating my objections."

Auto Owner Penalized
N. P. Smith thought that the measure is the best of all proposed for financing the fair. "We already have

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(The following letter to the editor of the Oregonian, which appeared in that paper several days ago, was written by a former resident of this section now engaged in farming in Grants Pass.)

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Dec. 23.—A fair is an institution largely—probably 90 per cent—for amusement, like a dance, a moving picture, or jazz music, all of which may at times be necessary, but in none of them is much that is substantial, really entertaining, or instructive.

Fairs are very expensive amusements, rarely financially successful. It is almost axiomatic that they have deficits to be met probably by taxation. Six millions does not produce much of a fair nowadays; twenty millions is a more probably needed amount. Once our six millions was in a fair how could we resist the appeal for other urgently needed millions to complete?

Now is not the time to plan for spending money for amusement, when poverty and unemployment stalk. It is rather the time to spend money for permanent improvements such as roads, reclamation of land, or port projects.

The proposal for a Portland fair in 1925 springs from a desire to advertise Portland primarily and Oregon incidentally, and thus attract population. The net benefits, if any, arising therefrom will practically all go to Portland, its hotels and restaurants, transportation, theaters, stores, etc.

If Portland wants the fair that is her business; but she should pay for it and not ask the state at large to share any considerable amount of the cost, as she is now doing. For once she might take a chance without asking aid. She could, however, get more permanent and direct return by putting the money proposed for the fair into a settled irrigation, or drainage project in Oregon, for every improvement made in Oregon insures in a great measure to the benefit of Portland. Unfortunately she has no near rival in the state or within her field of action from which to draw supplies. This has made her too sure of her position, has held back her aid in state development and consequent increase of population.