

ASK LOAN FOR FLAX GROWERS

Farmers Appear Be- fore the Committee Which Recommends Payment of Claims

Grievances of Willamette valley flax growers against the state prison flax plant and opposition of Portland social workers to the site selected for the new boys' training school by the board of control, were aired before the legislative steering committee Tuesday night.

A large delegation of Marion county farmers appeared before the committee to plead for relief from their financial stringency arising out of the inability of the state to pay for flax delivered to the state prison plant last fall. This crop, it was stated, represented the bulk of the incomes of some of these men for the past year and failure of the state to meet its obligations to them, it was declared, had placed many of them in serious embarrassment.

Compton Explains.
Warden Louis Compton, manager of the flax plant, who was called in to explain the state's side of this situation declared that the serious depression of the flax market had made it impossible to dispose of the finished product which the state had on hand and that for this reason no money was

available to pay for the new crop. The steering committee indicated its readiness to recommend action by the special session looking to the payment of these claims aggregating approximately \$37,000.

Training School Site.

Objection to the training school site was voiced by a delegation of social workers headed by Will T. Hale, for six years superintendent of the state school. These objections were based on the proximity of the site to the state penitentiary, the state tuberculosis hospital and other institutions as well as upon the rocky character of the soil in the tract which, it was declared, would make it impossible to employ the boys in the institution to advantage in farm work. A bill introduced in the house by Representative Linn would have authorized the board of control to purchase another site for the school with a part of the \$280,000 appropriated by the regular session for the new institution. The pleas of the social workers, however, apparently failed to impress the committee which voted unanimously to recommend that the Linn bill "do not pass."

Other Bills Passed.

The Norblad bill, authorizing the transportation of students from outside a school district, was approved by the committee after State Superintendent of Schools Churchill had spoken in its favor declaring that between 1000 and 1200 pupils now so transported would be deprived of schooling privileges unless this plan was validated by legislative action.

Pat Gallagher's bounty bill, making the payment of coyote bounties optional with each county instead of mandatory as at the present time, was also sent on its way with the approval of the committee. At the present time it was costing Malheur county \$20,000 a year to pay for dead coyotes

21 Inches of Rain Falls Mt. Wilson

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 21.—Traffic on all railway lines entering Los Angeles was demoralized somewhat today by the storm which for four days has prevailed in southern California. Southern Pacific offices reported a washout near Indio, Cal. Union Pacific and Santa Fe trains westbound were held at Barstow today while a landslide on a joint line east of San Bernardino was being cleared. At Mount Wilson, near Los Angeles precipitation for the storm has reached 21.58 inches.

Enjoined From Calling Man Bootlegger

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 21.—J. N. Webb yesterday obtained a temporary injunction restraining R. W. Godfrey from calling him a bootlegger. Five times, Webb said, Godfrey had caused the police to search his premises. Most of which were killed in Idaho and Nevada and brought over into Oregon, he declared.

Mrs. Obenchain Is Suppeoned

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 21.—Mrs. Madalynne Obenchain, indicted jointly with Arthur G. Burch for the murder of J. G. Kennedy, will be subpoenaed to testify for Burch at his trial now in progress. This announcement was made today by J. J. Sullivan, one of the attorneys for the defense in the Burch case. Whether Mrs. Obenchain actually testifies, attorney said, rests with her and her counsel, as she would be at liberty to refuse to do so because she is herself a defendant in the same case.

When the Burch trial was resumed today, Edward Burns, a motion picture actor, was called as a defense witness. He verified the testimony given yesterday by Edgar Nittinger and Ruth Sellars about a trip the three took to Beverly Glen the night of the murder. He told of seeing Mrs. Obenchain there and in a hysterical condition. State witnesses had testified she was calm and unmoved.

Von Jagow Gets Five Year Term

Leipzig, Dec. 21.—(By Associated Press.)—Dr. Traugott Von Jagow, former Berlin police commissioner, was sentenced to five years' imprisonment today by the federal supreme court for the part he played in the Kapp revolt of March, 1920, which temporarily overthrew the Ebert government.

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Driver Escapes Injury As Auto And Train Meet

William Sheridan, a resident of route 5, escaped injury when the automobile he was driving was struck by a Southern Pacific passenger train on Fourteenth street, according to a report received by the police yesterday. The car he was driving was slightly damaged. Ice-bound streets which made useless the application of brakes was blamed for the accident.

An automobile driven by R. L. Hart, 1192 Shipping street, was considerably damaged when it was struck by an east-bound Chemeketa street car, but nobody was in-

jured. Slick streets also were blamed for the Hart collision.

NEW CORPORATIONS

The Palmer construction company with headquarters at New Era filed articles of incorporation with the state corporation department here Monday. The company is capitalized at \$25,000 with the following incorporators: E. A. Palmer, M. H. Palmer and R. W. Wilbur.

Other articles filed Monday were: Superior Fuel company, Portland; \$5000; J. E. Murphy, W. F. Bradley and I. M. Teter. Spokane Avenue Church of Christ, Portland; capital nil; L. J. Robinson, H. Bishop and U. L. Frazer.

Grass Valley Mercantile company, Grass Valley; \$25,000; W. S. Quigley, Robert Quigley and E. A. Shepard.

Briand Refuses To Cut Idemnity

Paris, Dec. 21.—(By Associated Press.)—Premier Briand, in his conference with Prime Minister Lloyd-George, in London, has refused firmly to consider any further reduction in the total amount of reparations due from Germany. It is understood in official circles here.

The French premier, according to the information, has proposed a tax on German exportations to be collected in the importing countries.

From other official dispatches received here the impression prevails in official circles that discussions of Turkey and Russia would be postponed for subsequent meetings.

Roseburg Plans Regulation of Tourist Camps

Roseburg, Or., Dec. 21.—The Roseburg city council has extended an invitation to all cities along the Pacific highway to meet in this city February 12 for the purpose of outlining a cooperative plan of automobile tourist camp grounds control. Many of the cities believe that tourist camps should be required to pay a small fee for the services given these camp grounds and each city representative to Roseburg, in making this proposition and drawing up an agreement in which all cities may join, making rules uniform.

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