

WHAT IS DOING IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION

CLEAVER MAKES REPORT ON WORK DURING 2 YEARS

Jail sentences imposed as a result of the work of the state prohibition department in 1923-1924 aggregate 120 years, or 46,291 days. Adequate jail sentences are the only effective remedy in exterminating the illicit liquor traffic, declares the biennial report of George L. Cleaver, state prohibition commissioner.

Cleaver claims he was handicapped in extending the operation of his department over the state because of inadequate financial provision by the legislature. The sum of \$25,000, he says, was far too small and allowed only about \$500 for each county.

Most county officials are given credit for co-operating heartily in enforcement of the law.

"Only 2 1/2 per cent of all cases filed have been lost or dismissed, and 90 per cent of those created have resulted in pleas of guilty. This has made possible the saving of large sums of money to the various counties in prosecuting the cases."

"During my administration we have secured the conviction of six county officials for violating the law and two are now doing time in the state penitentiary."

"More than a thousand investigations have been made by our men in which we did not secure sufficient evidence for a case, consuming considerable time and expense."

Enforcement of the narcotic law is said to be the most difficult work of the department. Returns from fines, or 25 per cent of the whole totals \$6445.25, declared to be insufficient.

The difficulty in securing honest operatives is deplored. Eight men and one woman have been discharged for cause.

A well organized system of running between Canada and Seattle and Portland has been discovered, says the report, which will require the combined action of the state and federal forces of Oregon and Washington.

The only recommendation in the report is that the legislature increase the amount from fines to be paid to the state from 25 to 50 per cent, without any limit. The report claims that not more than five agents have ever been on salary at any one time.

The total number of prohibition cases handled by the department was 1218, and narcotic cases 15, a grand total of 1233. Prohibition fines aggregated \$271,903.65 and narcotic \$1159, a total of \$273,062.65. Intoxicating liquor and mash destroyed totaled 23,144 gallons. A total of 134 stills were seized and 43 automobiles were confiscated. The total cost of prohibition cases was \$49,834.16 and of narcotic cases \$6445.25.

The amount collected in fines from the counties in 1925 was \$17,415.78 and in 1924, \$293,776.30.

The report states that in the summer of 1923 the governor requested the prohibition commissioner to use his men as special agents. Relative to this the report says:

"The Oregon Blue Book shows the appropriation of \$10,000 for this work in 1921-2, and the actual expenditure of \$13,242.30 more than the appropriation, or a total expense for the two years preceding the present administration of \$23,242.30 for state agents. The appropriation for this purpose in 1923-4 was \$4000 of which amount \$257.50 has been turned back to the general fund—a difference of \$19,599.80 effected by the combination suggested by the governor, and the saving of a salary chief special agent."

The more important cases that have come up under the department are gone into in detail in the report. These are the Portland Press club case, the LaBabe case and the case of the British ship London Merchant. The latter was to be investigated carefully by the legislative committee appointed for the purpose.

COLLIE DOG TRAVELS CALIFORNIA TO DAKOTA

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 15.—Last spring Floyd E. Runyon moved to California with his family and Seattle, their collie dog. The Runyons decided to stay, but Seattle did not know about that and one day when the Runyons rode away from their home at Bell near here, for a day's outing, without taking Seattle along, he concluded they had gone back to North Dakota without him. At least that is what his master thinks he must have concluded, for eight months later, Runyon said yesterday, he received word from his former ranch home at Tower City, N. D., 3150 miles away that Seattle had come back. Runyon has ordered him shipped back by express.

Marion Star Case Settled. Marion, Ohio, Jan. 15.—The \$1,200,000 damage suit filed by Roy D. Moore and E. H. Brush, publishers of the Marion (Ohio) Star against Frank A. Vandenberg of New York has been settled out of court, the Star will say today.

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Bill to Enable Use Of Clear Lake By Cities Prepared

Of special importance to counties of the Willamette valley where a number of cities ranging from Eugene to Salem are interested in the possibility of utilizing the waters of Clear lake for power and municipal purposes will be a bill to be introduced later in the session by Senator Joseph. The measure has been drafted in tentative form. A committee from Albany is expected here late today to confer relative to the bill with J. M. Devez, who is drafting the measure.

Under the proposed bill "municipalities may be created under the provisions of this act, of an entire county, or of two or more contiguous counties, or of contiguous parts of two or more contiguous counties, or of a part only of a single county, or of one or more municipalities of one or more contiguous counties."

It is provided that whenever the inhabitants of such a district as described above decide to create and incorporate a municipality for water and power development there shall be filed with the secretary of state a petition containing the names of not less than 2 per cent of the registered voters within the territory where the voters within the territory where the municipality is proposed to be formed. The secretary of state shall check the names with the county clerks if necessary, for genuineness.

The secretary of state shall file with the governor a certificate setting forth the purpose of the petition, and the governor shall by proclamation call an election within the district within sixty days. The expense of the election will be paid by the county in the same way that the expenses of general elections are paid.

If the proposal carries at election it is made the duty of the governor within 30 days after his proclamation of the result to appoint a board of trustees for the

municipality consisting of five members. Each trustee must be a member of the municipality. The trustees shall hold office until the first Monday in January following the biennial election next following the appointment, provided that if the proclamation shall be filed within 60 days to any regular biennial election then the trustees shall serve until the first Monday in January following the second biennial election after the date of the proclamation. At each biennial election after the date of the proclamation seven trustees would be elected. Nominations of trustees for districts of only one county would be made in the same way as nominations of county officers, while nominations in municipalities covering more than one county would be made in the same way, that legislative candidates are nominated.

Within 30 days after appointment by the governor the board of trustees would meet for organization. Trustees would receive no pay.

In event of a vacancy on the board a successor would be chosen by the remaining members, the member so chosen to serve until the next general election and until his successor shall have been elected and qualified. Trustees would be subject to the recall law.

Municipalities created under the act would have, among other powers, the privilege of exercising the right of eminent domain, pursuant to the procedure used by the state highway commission.

It is provided that the trustees would have power to issue and sell bonds of the municipality for the purpose of procuring funds to carry out the purposes of the act.

The board of trustees would "establish such rates for service as in its judgment will provide, in addition to the expenses of operation, maintenance, depreciation, insurance and reserve for losses, funds to pay the principal and interest of all bonds issued."

Legislative Sidelights

The per diem and mileage bill, providing the \$3 a day for members of the first measure to pass both houses. It always is, Joseph inquired: "Does our pay start from the date of passage of this bill? If so I shall support it because we better get it through as soon as possible."

The mysterious communication, written in a foreign language that was received by the senate, is now said to be in the Philippine instead of Swedish language. Joseph, to whose committee on federal relations it was referred, says he has translated three words in the letter and thinks it should have been sent to the Oregon Social Hygiene society instead of the senate.

As in sessions past, the daughter of Senator Strayer comes over from Willamette university occasionally to visit her father. She is now the wife of Professor Harding of Willamette. Like her daddy, she is a star debater, and as a student was a member of the women's debating team at the university.

Former Senator Louis Lachmund dropped into the senate chamber last night. He was one of the Lachmund-Thomson-Dimick trio that bought the Warren Construction company's a standstill some sessions ago.

For some reason not as many legislators as in sessions past are staying at Salem hotels. Most of

SENATE BILLS

S. B. 13, Hall—Providing exemption from ad valorem tax of stationary gas engines, tractors and motor boats using gasoline oil which operators shall pay a sales tax.

S. B. 14, Hall—Repealing all taxes on gasoline and providing 5-cent sales tax.

S. B. 15, Hall—Amending automobile license tax law by reducing fees 40 per cent.

S. B. 16, Johnson—Changing dates for payment of taxes from April 5 to May 1 and from November 5 to December 5.

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PORTLAND ASKS LIMIT ON LEVY BE ELIMINATED

A bill to repeal the 6 1/2-mill limit of taxation on school districts of more than 100,000 population and a resolution providing for raising \$1,000,000 over the legal 6 per cent increase rate allowed by law will be introduced into the house by the Multnomah delegation. It was decided at a meeting held yesterday afternoon. The measure is designed specifically for the relief of school district No. 1 of Multnomah county.

The delegation was unanimous in voting to introduce the bill and resolution as a delegation proposition. Representatives Bennett and German held that the sum of \$1,000,000 was too large. Bennett suggested the sum of \$750,000.

The resolution would permit school district No. 1 of Multnomah county to add \$1,000,000 to the regular income under the 6 per cent increase law and set the total thereof as a basis for future levies with the 6 per cent provisions applying.

Woodward explained that the district was short about \$1,000,000 a year under the present limitations and that the increased income was needed to take care of present normal and legitimate increasing expenses.

If the resolution passes at this session, it will have to be referred to the procedure used by the state constitution.

GAMBLERS MUST PAY INCOME TAX, WIN OR LOSE

Washington, Jan. 15.—Those who gamble must pay the government, win, lose or draw. The board of tax appeals has decided that persons who win in gaming operations must pay an income tax on their winnings and today Solicitor General of the internal revenue bureau ruled that losses are not deductible from gross income in states where games of chance are illegal.

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HOUSE BILLS

H. B. 32, joint ways and means committee—Appropriation of \$25,000 for expenses of 33rd session.

H. B. 33, Collier—To permit county courts to sell a portion of property foreclosed upon for delinquent taxes.

H. B. 34, North—Creating a commission for relief of veterans of the World War.

H. B. 35, Gordon—Authorizing organization of mutual savings banks of which all profits shall go to stockholders and permitting long-term real estate loans.

Abe Decan Buried. Dallas, Jan. 15.—Abe Decan, whose lifeless body was found on the Boise place near Ellendale on January 5, was buried Wednesday Services were under auspices of the I. O. O. F. lodge, of which he was a member. A brother of Decan was located at St. Maries, Idaho, and apparently dropped dead while piling brush, and no inquest was held.

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North Bill to Change Personnel of Bonus Board Spite Measure

By Harry N. Craig. Another of the bills designed to shear Governor Pierce of the prerogatives of his office made its appearance in the house yesterday afternoon, when Representative North presented his third bill to have as its object the restriction of the chief executive's control of state departments.

The bill seeks to amend Section 12 of Chapter 261, which names the personnel of the state bonus commission.

As the law now stands the governor, the secretary of state, adjutant general and two commissioners appointed by the governor comprise the commission, and the amendment would take from the hands of the governor the privilege of appointing two commissioners, remove the adjutant general from membership, and substitute a board composed of the governor, the secretary of state and the state treasurer.

While the bill is thinly disguised as an attempt to centralize control of all departments disbursing and loaning public funds by placing upon it the state treasurer, those closely in touch with the history of the bonus commission and its internal affairs during the past two years see in it the first of the biennial crop of spite bills that make their appearance at the instigation of disgruntled officials every session.

They see in it the outcropping of the antagonism and conflict that has been a constant attendant upon the membership of the bonus commission ever since Major W. P. Simpson became acting secretary, and later secretary of the commission. Major Simpson has been a constant target for the attacks of the republican members of the board, without visible provocation for which justification has been

given in a single instance. In face of the splendid record for efficiency and economy that has been established by the bonus commission during the past two years, those familiar with the affairs of the commission declare that the proponents of the North bill are going to find themselves lacking several of the required number of votes necessary to enact the measure in either house, particularly if it becomes a matter of passing the bill over the veto of the governor.

Several members of the house and senate, who might be expected to favor curtailing the powers of the governor where they had been abused, last night expressed themselves as being opposed to any tampering with the bonus commission, and branded the North bill as unadulterated politics. Among these members there is a general willingness to be shown wherein Governor Pierce has made a failure of his administration in specific

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VETOED BILLS BEFORE HOUSE

On motion of Coffey, Multnomah, vetoed bills were withdrawn from the table and referred to committee on vetoed bills. The vetoed bills are No. 167 of the regular session of 1923 creating a

departments, but there is also a marked antipathy toward proposals that have political persecution as the sole and only aim.

state finance commission; No. 227, introduced by Meindl, relating to appointment of administrators in counties of more than 100,000 population; No. 284, introduced by Carlin, amending section 4509, Oregon Laws, relating to road taxes; No. 379, introduced by joint committee on ways and means to provide for eradication of injurious rodents and making appropriations to cover same.

A house bill calling for appropriation of \$25,000 to cover immediate expenses of the lawmakers was passed by the house this afternoon.

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