

BEND BILL PASSED BY SENATE OVER VETO

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FAIR WEATHER
Tonight and Saturday, slight temperature changes. Light westerly winds.
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FORTY-SEVENTH YEAR No. 38 SALEM, OREGON, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1925 PRICE THREE CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS FIVE CENTS

ASSET COLLINS YET ALIVE

ONLY 5 VOTE TO SUSTAIN PIERCE VETO

Measure Providing Pure Water Supply For Bend Passes Senate Second Time; Others Passed.

Senate bill 65, providing a pure water supply for the city of Bend by arranging an exchange of water from Deschutes river for water from Tumalo creek, passed the senate today over the veto of Governor Pierce.

Zimmerman of Yamhill and Brown of Marion fought the bill. Garland and Taylor, both democrats, assisted Senator Upton in defending the measure against the veto.

Joseph was with the minority in opposing the bill, declaring it was fraught with litigation.

Brown, Joseph, Kinney, Strayer and Zimmerman voted to sustain the veto.

Other bills passed by the senate today were:

S. B. 19, MacLagdy, providing for sanitary regulation of all tour let camps under the direction of the state board of health.

S. B. 164, Brown, prohibiting by-bidding and false representation at livestock auction sales.

S. B. 165, MacLagdy, for eradication of bovine tuberculosis and creating office of dairy and herd inspector in Lane county.

S. B. 191, Senator Dunn and Representative Carlin (by request) relating to building and loan associations purchasing mortgage sales.

S. B. 189, Senator Dunn and Representative Carlin (by request) allowing building and loan associations to increase loans from 50 per cent to 66 2-3 per cent.

A senate concurrent resolution expressing the thanks of the senate to R. A. Booth of Eugene for the statue of "The Circuit Rider," which was presented to the senate by Mr. Booth, passed the senate today.

HOOVER SEEKS TO RULE FARMS

Washington, Feb. 13.—The charge that Secretary Hoover "is seeking to dominate the agriculture of America," was made before the house agricultural committee today by Charles E. Hearst of Iowa, chairman of the legislative committee of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

In explanation of the assertion, the witness produced a magazine article in which he said the secretary claimed authorship of suggestions contained in the pending Capper-Williams farm relief legislation.

While Mr. Hearst was testifying this morning the committee continued investigation into suggestions of President Coolidge's agricultural conference, with Chairman Carey of the conference as a witness.

PARKROSE BANK LOOTED OF \$1600

Portland, Feb. 13.—The Parkrose State bank, located in a business community on the outskirts of Portland, was robbed of about \$1600 today by two unmasked men who held up Charles P. Crum, cashier, while he was alone in the bank shortly before the noon hour. The robbers escaped.

While one of the men who entered first asked the cashier if he could cash a check the other drew a revolver, forcing Crum to hold up his hands. The first man leaped over a counter, gathered up about \$150, and the pair then forced the cashier to open a compartment in the safe from which the balance was taken. The robbers walked some distance from the bank and entered an automobile in which they disappeared.

USE VOTES EXTENSION OF BOND SALES

Warm Debate Over Time Limit For Sale of Highway Securities—Opponents Fear Refunding.

Extension of the five year limit set by the 1921 legislature for the state highway commission to sell a special \$7,000,000 bond issue for state highway work, was authorized by the house this morning after a two hour debate. The law of 1921 stipulated that the issue, in addition to the other regular issues permitted up to the 4 per cent tax limitation measure, had to be sold prior to May 28, 1924. The bill passed this morning sets an indefinite time for the disposal of about \$800,000 left from the \$7,000,000 amount.

The sum was authorized in 1921 to provide for emergency needs.

The measure, house bill 324 introduced by Senator Hall and Representative Ford, is designed to clear up conflicting provisions in the law of 1921, according to its proponents.

The opposition however, fought the bill vehemently, maintaining that the amendment passed this morning permitted the state highway commission to refund on the \$7,000,000 issue and issue new bonds.

"It makes the sky the limit," declared Representative Cowgill of Jackson county, who with Representative Carlin, the same county, led the fight on the bill. "As soon as a million dollars is retired, another million can be issued. Let us pay as we go."

Representative Graham, Washington county, arguing for the bill, maintained that there was no danger involved in the legislation passed. "It is true that it

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SOLONS DEBATE CAT TAXATION

Hartford, Conn., Feb. 13.—A bill for taxation of cats was vigorously opposed at a hearing before a Connecticut legislative committee.

William H. Fairchild, a justice of New Fairfield, declared that every pair of rats permitted to live produced descendants to the number of 259,799,542 in three years and that the surest way to limit the rat population was to encourage cats.

He said that if cats were taxed "you'd have to put collars on all the cats and it would be some job for the cat wardens."

Mrs. Ellen T. Lewis, representing a humane society, deplored the necessity of collars for cats because they would be in danger of hanging every time they climbed a tree.

No one favored the bill.

DRAG SANTIAM FOR FOSTER MAN

Foster, Or., Feb. 13.—The Santiam river is being dragged today for the body of S. T. Ross, who is believed to have met death in its waters Tuesday evening when the boat in which he was working broke away from the bank to which it was tied and was swept down the swift stream. The body has not been recovered.

Mr. Ross was last seen in the water clinging to his boat, which had tipped over. The boat was later recovered in a whirlpool some distance down the stream and no doubt is felt that he was drowned there. The river is at high stage and the stream is very swift. The accident occurred about a mile above the Mealey Bros saw mill.

Mr. Ross is survived by his wife and eight children. He is 45 years old. The family came here about a year ago from Ione, Oregon.

13th Prisoner in 13th Cell of Jail On Friday 13th

Thirteen prisoners in the county jail on Friday the 13th, with the further coincidence that the 13th prisoner was locked in under the key numbered 13, have caused deputies to keep a close vigilance on the place today. Nobody knows what might happen.

Theodore Hurd, alleged chicken thief, was the 13th bird to be received in Bower's bower at the court house. While he has been in a few days, nevertheless other prisoners are looking at him with interest and praying that the sheriff may bring in the 14th man before the fates bring down disaster on their heads.

The physicians have not yet probed for the bird shot that was received in Hurd's back and head when he was attempting to purloin some birds from a Woodburn rancher, but officers predict that when they do they will find 13 shot. There was talk among prisoners today of holding a kangaroo court over Hurd to see if some sort of a punishment might be inflicted on him to propitiate the gods of superstition and alleviate the dangers that might befall.

At the best the 13th prisoner is considered an unlucky Hurd.

GOES CRAZY ON FRIDAY THE 13TH OVER WORLD'S END

Brooding over the predicted end of the world again convinced that Friday, the 13th, was the final day, Mike Reine of Gates, Or., was committed to the state hospital today, violently insane. So emphatic was Reine that this was the fateful hour that he informed everyone within a radius of two blocks in downtown Salem today at 1:30 o'clock after he had escaped from persons taking him to the asylum.

Disappointed a week ago when the good old world kept serenely turning, even after the dire prophecies of Madam Rowen and others of her cult, Reine settled on Friday, the 13th, for the event. Put he talked too much about it with the result that he was brought to Salem for an examination. He was taken as far as Epely's store, 1900 State street, where he escaped from the car and found his way downtown.

A call to the police station brought Officer Thompson and Alderman Roy Simeral who found Reine the center of attraction at State and Church streets.

"Today is the last day of the world," declared Reine as the two men approached him. Reine is about 50 years old and weighs 170 pounds. He was hard to handle, although not particularly violent just incident.

"Mr. Simeral and I were warring that today was our last on earth," commented Mr. Thompson. "Well, it's a nice day."

FROM SOCIETY WOMAN TO BANK EXECUTIVE

New York, Feb. 13.—From a society woman who had never done any work as a wage earner until 12 years ago, Mrs. William Lattin, has advanced to a position in the National City bank of New York, where she will have charge of all business done by the bank with women.

GLIMPSES OF LEGISLATORS BY MURRAY WADE



FATE OF PROHIBITION DEPARTMENT UP TO PIERCE

Future Course of Legislature As Concerns Dry Bureau Depends Upon Cleaver Ultimatum.

By Harry N. Crain
What happens to the state prohibition department rests largely with Governor Pierce, according to the prognosticators about the lobby, who have been studying and speculating about the report and recommendations of the special committee which has been investigating that department.

All are pretty well agreed on one point—that every member of the committee issued a very understandable ultimatum to the governor to the effect that Cleaver must go. Should the executive ignore that edict it is not considered reasonable that any of the commission, with the possible exception of Representative Harburt would go much out of their way to head off the attacks that are practically certain to be directed at the department.

Probers Are Consistent
For instance, it is not conceivable that such legislators as Senators Garland, Eddy, Hare, Johnson and Butler, and Representatives Rushlight, Swan, Longman and Pittman, after they have deliberately made up their minds that the prohibition department cannot succeed under the direction of Cleaver, and that he is largely responsible for the trouble that has been made of its affairs, should deliberately elect to perpetuate the blunder, by resisting a serious effort to take the department out of his hands.

More or less they have all won reputations for consistency, and it

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MITCHELL AGAIN BEFORE PROBERS

Washington, Feb. 13.—Brigadier General Mitchell, assistant army air chief was recalled for the fourth time today by the house aircraft committee for further questioning in the aircraft controversy.

Other witnesses summoned included Elysear V. Rickanacker, a former flying ace in the world war, and a number of officers of the naval air service. Rickanacker told the committee today that the policies of the war and navy departments showed a lack of knowledge. Development of an air program, he said, also had been retarded by selfishness and jealousy, but when asked to name those responsible, he said he could not do so. He disagreed with army general staff testimony as to the effectiveness of anti-aircraft guns.

Sand Cave Hero



W.B. MILLER

William Burke ("Steele") Miller, of Louisville, Ky., a newspaper reporter there, proved himself the outstanding hero of the efforts to free Floyd Collins from Sand Cave, Cave City, Ky. Miller made many perilous trips to the imprisoned man, and, being small of stature, was able to do much of the work for releasing Collins. He had succeeded in removing the rock which trapped Collins when forced to flee because of another cave-in.

BIENNIAL FISH FIGHT OPENED ON NEW CODE

The biennial fish fight in the legislature is on.

When consideration of the committee reports on house bill 495, the commercial fish code, came up as a special order of business in the house just before the noon recess this morning Representative Coffey asked that it be put over until 3 o'clock this afternoon, stating that it was probable that the minority and the majority members of the committee would be able to get together on a harmonious report by that time.

Representative Mott, chairman of the fish committee, and the signer of the minority report, jumped to his feet, declaring:

"As it is now nearly 12 o'clock, I have no objection to letting this matter go over until 3 o'clock, but I want to state right here and now that there is no chance for the minority and the majority to get together."

Representative Mott objects to the provision in the bill that would allow aliens to fish in Oregon for a period of six years.

Two years ago Mott made a single-handed fight in the house against the fish commission that resulted in the passage of his bill to lift the ban on salmon trolling.

SALEM, MASS., CHALLENGES SALEM, ORE.

Local High School Asked To Debate With Massachusetts High, Champions of New England.

A debate between the high school teams of Salem, Oregon, and Salem, Massachusetts, looms as a result of a challenge received this morning from the authorities of the Massachusetts school.

"We have heard that the debating team of Salem high school occupies one of the foremost positions among the high schools of the far west," is the statement made in requesting a contest between the two schools.

Arrangements, if carried out in compliance with the request of the eastern school, will involve a meet in Salem during the first part of next May, with a return contest at Salem, Massachusetts, during the tri-centenary exercises of the founding of the city.

If the Salem team makes the trip as planned it will be the longest debate trip ever attempted by any institution of any kind in the west up to the present time. The debate trip by the Willamette university team two years ago has been considered the longest trip of its kind ever attempted by a western institution, but the trip of the high school team will take them considerably farther than Chicago, which was the farthest point east reached, by the Willamette team. A trip planned by Oregon Agricultural college for this spring will, if carried through, be approximately the same length as the trip to be taken by the team of the Salem high school.

The team of Salem high school, Massachusetts, has won 15 consecutive debaters, losing none, in the last two years. They have been awarded the championship of New England and New York. They have defeated the freshmen of Yale university. They have been personally congratulated upon their success by Calvin Coolidge and William Howard Taft.

These debaters will do Salem more good in the way of advertising than it would to bring the football team of Scott's high school out here," said Superintendent.

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WALNUT TAKEN FROM BABE'S LUNG

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 13.—Following the removal of a walnut kernel from her lung last night, physicians of a private hospital here were hopeful today of saving the life of Bernice Wehrli, aged 19 months, of Port Angeles, Wash.

An X-ray examination revealed the nut kernel in the right bronchus of the child, a short distance below the right and left intercostal spaces, declared physicians. Information was said to be present and pneumonia had set in.

In removing the obstruction physicians said they inserted a steel tube with a small electric light at the lower end. By passing delicate instruments through the special tube the doctors asserted they were able to remove the kernel and the surrounding inflamed tissue.

\$30,000,000 NAVY BILL REQUESTED

Washington, Feb. 13.—An appropriation of \$30,000,000 to carry out the naval construction program recently authorized was requested of congress today by the budget bureau.

Of the total, \$14,000,000 would be applied toward completing the airplane carriers Saratoga and Lexington, \$3,000,000 for new airplanes for these carriers and \$9,000,000 for repairs and changes on six battleships.

BREATHING OF CAVE VICTIM HEARD 9 A. M.

Another Witness Hears Coughing; Tunnel In Rescue Shaft Proves Blind Lead.

Sand Cave, Ky., Feb. 13.—An official announcement made at 8 o'clock this afternoon by Brigadier General H. H. Denhardt was that Floyd Collins had been heard breathing at 9:45 o'clock this morning.

The announcement was made after Ed Brenner, Cincinnati and A. Blevins had given a statement at the military court of inquiry at the cave side, which was put into the record.

Brenner, a miner, and Blevins had been sent into the cavern for soundings from the rescue shaft. They also had gone in five hours before with Andy Cisig and John Schickel of Louisville, who had reported hearing Collins cough twice.

Brenner and Blevins reported penetrating the natural passage to the slide which last week blocked the way just ahead of the cemented cave explorer. They heard Collins breathing, they told the court inquiry this afternoon.

"I heard Collins give one long deep gasp, like a groan," said Brenner. "It was not like a man gives in a hospital, not loud."

Brenner and Blevins tapped on the wall of the cavern and workers in the shaft tapped on the well wall. It was timed by those in the cavern and those in the shaft that the distance between them was ten feet.

Cave City, Ky., Feb. 13.—(By Associated Press.)—H. T. Carmichael, in charge of operations, and other officials who went down into the shaft being dug toward Sand Cave, where Floyd Collins had been imprisoned for two weeks, came out of the shaft at 1 o'clock this afternoon and announced that the hope of rescuing Collins through a tunnel discovered in the shaft 50 feet down would have to be abandoned. The tunnel exploration failed to disclose a passageway.

Digging was resumed in the bottom of the shaft itself and Mr. Carmichael said that it probably would take two or three days to reach the 70-foot level, where they plan to begin lateral tunnels in an effort to strike Sand Cave.

Cave City, Ky., Feb. 13.—(By the Associated Press.)—A tunnel which the rescuers hope may lead to the cavern behind Floyd Collins was

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SENATE PASSES RESOLUTIONS

The senate today adopted house concurrent resolution No. 12 providing for a committee from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana to study and consider the development of the Columbia river for agricultural and power purposes.

A senate concurrent resolution, introduced by Hall, proposing that the state honor John B. Yeon, noted road builder, by naming a bridge on some scenic highway the "John B. Yeon" bridge, passed the senate today.

House joint resolution No. 17, introduced by Carlin, memorializing the interstate commerce commission to urge the construction of a railroad in southern Oregon, was adopted by the senate today.

Usury Law Amended
The usury of 10 per cent interest law of the state would be tightened considerably unless house bill 271 passed by the house yesterday afternoon after a sharp debate. The measure further specifies what commission charges and other expenses must be added into the interest charge, the maximum of which must not exceed 10 per cent.