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BOND ELECTION FOR ADDITIONS TO PARK NEAR

Proponents of Measures to be Balloted Upon Start Final Drive

PURCHASES APPROVED

Addition to Park Will Add Revenue Enough to Pay for Purchase. Should be Saved

With the special bond election, to be held on February 17, but a week away, proponents of the measures which will be balloted upon, today started their final drive in an effort to obtain the passage of both propositions.

The measures to be balloted upon next Tuesday are for the purchase of the Lily H. McCormick tract of land, fifteen acres in extent, as an addition to the Lithia Park system, and the purchase of the Chautauqua building and site, these also to be added to the park system. The proposition for the purchase of the Chautauqua building calls for the issuance of \$8,000 in city bonds, while the proposition for the purchase of the McCormick tract calls for the issuance of \$4,500 in city bonds.

The Park Commissioners, at the time of the passage of the resolution by the city council, calling for the bond election, stated that the addition of the city McCormick tract to the park system would mean an addition to the present revenue of the park which would soon pay the cost of the purchase. During the past year the income from the cabins which have been erected for the accommodation of tourists formed the biggest source of income for the park. With the money, the Commissioners succeeded in paying off one of the bonds now outstanding, and in caring for the park.

The addition of the McCormick tract will give the Commissioners at least four more acres upon which to erect these cabins. Although there are but two acres in the tract which can be used for cabin ground, it is the plan of the Commissioners to move the elk, now paddocked upon a two acre tract near the center of the park, and considered by many as one of the finest pieces of land in the park, to the higher ground of the McCormick tract. This will leave free for cabin construction the two acres of the tract and the two acres upon which the elk are now kept.

The Park Commissioners point out that with the additional income from the cabins to be erected, they will be able to meet the bonds, retiring them without cost to the city. At the time the resolution for calling the election was before the council, the Commissioners presented figures which proved that the income from the extra cabins which the purchase will make possible, will easily retire the bonds which would be used for the purchase.

At the time of the passage of the resolution by the council, almost every member of that body was in favor of the move. Hundreds of citizens expressed themselves as in favor of the purchase of the Chautauqua building, even before the council passed the resolution.

With the historic structure and the land upon which it stands in private hands, the city would lose one of the landmarks which distinguishes it from other cities of this section. Sentiment among almost every one interviewed favored the purchase of the building and land as an addition to the park.

Last of Klamath Murder Suspects Is Now on Trial

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 10.—Pete Sullivan, alleged to have been the actual slayer of Oscar Erickson in a gambling house robbery here early in January, went on trial here yesterday morning for first degree murder. He is the last of the alleged participants in the double crime to be prosecuted.

Solomon's Temple Entrance Found in Mosque of Omar

JERUSALEM, Feb. 10.—Workmen repairing the Mosque of Omar discovered a hidden stairway which is believed to have been one of the entrances to the ancient Temple of Solomon.

COL. THOMPSON MAKES PUBLIC NEW ROAD PLAN

Bed to be Improved Over 18.3 Mile Stretch, Superintendent Says

MEDFORD, Feb. 10.—Work on 18.3 miles of the Crater National Park highway will commence as soon as the snow recedes sufficiently to permit work, Colonel C. G. Thompson, superintendent of the park, stated after a conference with George Goodwin, chief civil engineer of the national park service. The road will be improved with penetration macadam from the west entrance to Government Camp and from Anna Springs to the south entrance, completing the Southern Oregon scenic loop. The government has appropriated \$7,500,000 for a three years' programme of park highway improvement, and the remainder of the 66-mile highway around the lake will be macadamized in 1926 and 1927. Mr. Goodwin will superintend the construction. Colonel Thompson reported 12 feet of snow on the lake rim when he left. He drove from Medford to Portland, and, although he never exceeded 30 miles an hour, said that no motorist passed him, indicating obedience to speed laws. He stopped over one day in Salem in the interests of legislation for protection of bear in Oregon, which he considers an asset to the state. Colonel Thompson is at the Multnomah hotel.—Oregonian.

COMMUNISTS TRY TO BREAK GATHERING

MARSEILLES, France, Feb. 10.—Hundreds of Catholic and Communist were wounded here today, when Communists attempted to disrupt a meeting held by the Catholic League of Religious Defense. The Catholics were attacked as they arrived at the meeting, but the rioting did not prevent the mass meeting, which was carried out as it was originally planned.

UNITED STATES PASSES BRITAIN IN EXPORTING

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Having already displaced England as the financial center of the world as the most powerful and richest nation on the face of the earth, the United States is now pushing the British Empire for the commercial supremacy of the world.

Comparative trade figures, made public here today by the Department of Commerce, showed that the total exports of Great Britain last year were \$4,132,000,000 or \$358,000,000 less than those of America.

The report made by Secretary of Commerce, Herbert Hoover, shows that England, last year purchased goods valued at \$1,605,000,000 from the merchants of the United States, and sold to the buyers of this country commodities valued at \$765,543,000.

Although this trade difference is not so great as some of the years during the war, it is the greatest during any normal year since trade relations between the two nations, as nations were established. According to Hoover's report, indications for 1925 are that even a still larger balance will rest with this country at the close of the year.

STATE SOLONS ARE AFRAID OF LEGISLATION

Fish and Game Bills Seem to Have Senators at Standstill

VEToes SURE TO COME

Money to Be Asked for Aid of Storm Swept Vale, Senate Passes Banking Code Bill

SALEM, Feb. 10.—An absolute deadlock today exists in the warfare between the sponsors of the fish and game bills in the state senate, and the "thirteen disciples" of Governor Pierce. At the present time, it is declared that there are more than enough votes to pass either bill easily, in the senate, but there are not enough of these votes to override the veto of Governor Pierce. Pierce realizes this, and the vetoes are certain to come in both cases.

The fish bill is due to come as a special order of business tomorrow afternoon, and it is believed the game bill will come up at any time.

From all indications, the game people are apparently drawing away from the sponsors of the fish bill, since Governor Pierce has promised them that he will not disturb Captain Burghdoff, master game warden.

The legislature will be asked to appropriate \$15,000 to clean up Vale, recently swept over by a flood. The work will be done under the supervision of the state board of health.

The senate today passed the new banking code bill, with only the votes of Senators Brown, Joseph, Taylor, La Follette and Zimmerman registered against it. The opponents objected to the bill on the grounds that it gave the state superintendent of banks autocratic powers, even going so far as to allow him to remove bank directors, and cashiers. The proponents of the bill declared that the greater majority of the banks favored the passage of the code, holding that many of the failures of the past would have been forestalled if the superintendent had had this power during the past.

COOLIDGE OPPOSED TO MITCHELL PLAN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—President Coolidge is not in favor of a unified air service such as was advocated by Brigadier General Mitchell and a considerable bloc in Congress, it was announced at the White House today. The President does not consider the aircraft arm of the government yet sufficiently important to warrant a unified service.

POLICE GUARDING LAWYER ON TRIAL

GENEVA, Ill., Feb. 10.—Police guards were stationed about the Kane county courthouse today, where Warren J. Lincoln is on trial for the murder of his wife and her brother, because of high feeling here against the defendant.

Closing arguments were being heard today and many in the jammed courtroom glared at the lawyer-horticulturist who has confessed cutting off the two heads and secreting them in a concrete block.

The jury is expected to retire with the evidence some time today.

Radio Tests Show Collins Is Alive in Kentucky Cave

CAVE CITY, Ky., Feb. 10.—Daily radio tests made at Sand Cave in which Floyd Collins is imprisoned, today brought back the same murmur of life from the inner recesses of the giant cave as have been registered since the tests were started. The physician who listened at the head phones declared that respiratory movements were distinctly audible, coming at a normal speed of health, varying from 20 to 30 a minute. The physician stated that heart beats, said to be those of Collins, could be plainly heard. This is Collins' eleventh day spent in the natural straight jacket with the icy water trickling over his body.

Read the Tidings ads.

Women Share News Spotlight



Above: LADY GRACE E. MACKENZIE & HAZEL YEHLING
Below: HIRAM JOHNSON & COZY DOLAN

In a bitter attack on the Paris pact regarding distribution of indemnity paid by Germany under the Dawes Plan, United States Senator Hiram Johnson, of California, declared the United States had been betrayed. Lady Grace Esme MacKenzie, famous for her big game hunt in Africa, has been married for the third time, this time in New York City to Frank Teague Jennings, a Columbia, S. C., manufacturer.

"Cozy" Dolan, former coach of the New York Giants, said to have been exonerated by a New York City grand jury investigation into the O'Connell bribery plot, is reported to be ready to sue Judge Landis for reinstatement in baseball. Hazel Yehling, nineteen-year-old Chicago girl, has been missing for several days and is believed to have been kidnaped. When she disappeared she was carrying \$250 to the bank.

LEGISLATORS ARE CAUTIOUS CONCERNING BUS REGULATION

Bill Is Carefully Considered and Revised Before Committee Places Approval Upon it. Changes Are Sure to Come

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Feb. 10.—This session of the legislature is pioneering in regulation of highway carriers for profit. Mapping out a course as yet uncharted is a difficult thing and the solons know it. They are, on that account, proceeding with caution. They have taken a leaf from the book of Davy Crockett and are determined to be right before they go ahead.

A step forward was made the past week, when a new bill emerged from the house committee on roads and highways, No. 413, and was printed over the week-end. It will come in for earnest consideration the coming week.

This bill was born from the ruins of two other measures, Nos. 19 and 59. The latter was known as the railroad bill and applied rail regulation to the highways. The committee liked its provisions rather well, but relaxed the conditions and fees to be charged for use of the highways.

PULLMAN SURCHARGE IS HELD NOT UNFAIR

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Clyde B. Aitchison, chairman and Oregon member of the interstate commerce commission, concurred in the commission's decision upholding the Pullman fare surcharge but announced that he would willingly join in finding that the present surcharge is too much and should be reduced one-half. Commissioner Esch joined in this expression while four commissioners-out of 11 went on record against any surcharge.

COOLIDGE STATUE BILL IS REJECTED

BOSTON, Feb. 10.—The legislative committee of the Massachusetts state house today rejected a bill calling for the erection within the statehouse of a bust, tablet or statue of Calvin Coolidge, president of the United States and former governor of Massachusetts. No reason was given for the rejection.

ENGLISHMAN TUMBLES OUT WINDOW TO DEATH

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—J. K. Ramsbottom, 38, an Englishman, fell or jumped to his death from the nineteenth floor of the Hotel McAlpin today.

RAINFALL FOR FEBRUARY FAR ABOVE NORMAL

First Nine Days of Month Has Almost Entire Fall for February

2.03 IN. REGISTERED

Present Fall But Slightly Short of Total for Month. Rivers Running Full. Roads Are Bad

Old Jupiter Pluvius, after taking an extended vacation, lasting almost the entire year of 1923-24, has returned to his old job filled up with vim and vigor, from all appearances.

The rainfall for the five months period from September 1 to February 1 well over the normal mark, Jupe has decided he feels in such a good mood that he can work over time. As a result, the rainfall for the first nine days in February is almost up to the normal precipitation for the entire month.

Figures made public this morning by Louis Dodge, weather observer, show that up to midnight last night, a total of 2.03 inches of rain had fallen during the past nine days. Figures compiled from annual rainfall marks over a period of several years show that the normal rainfall for this month is but 2.35 inches, just .32 of an inch more than has fallen during the first nine days of this month.

During the nine day period, a total of .5 of an inch of snow had been measured here by Dodge.

While Jupiter Pluvius appears to have but recently returned from his vacation, it looks as though Old Sol, controller of the other half of our weather has just started on his rest period. During the nine days of this month just passed, Sol has appeared on but two occasions, February 2 and 8. The remaining seven days have been given over entirely to Jupe, who some time during each of these days, has turned on the water.

As a result of these heavy rains, the water storage reservoirs, the creeks and rivers of this section are filled nearly to capacity. The Emigrant Creek dam reservoir is filled almost to capacity, assuring a good supply of irrigation water for the coming year. Ashland Creek is running to capacity, while the Rogue and Klamath Rivers are the highest they have been in years.

Although the rains have softened the roadways, most of them are still passable. The Ashland-Klamath Falls highway is in the worst condition, but passage is still possible. The Siskiyou are covered with snow, but passage over them is still possible.

MILITARY COURT IS OPENED AT KY. CAVE

CAVE CITY, Ky., Feb. 10.—Under an executive order of Governor Fields, public sessions of a military court were opened here today to inquire into the circumstances surrounding the attempted rescue of Floyd Collins from the cave in which he has been entombed for the past eleven days.

The court is being held primarily to allay the suspicions of the public concerning the incidents during the early days of the entombing. Meanwhile, the shaft has been sunk about 35 feet, with about the same footage to be excavated.

Reports state that the storm is moving inland. Rain and strong winds are expected over Western Oregon and Washington within the next twenty four hours. A high pressure area over Boise, Idaho, will send slightly colder weather into the western section of that state.

Windmills Fast Disappearing from Holland's Fields

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 10.—No longer will windmills be symbolical of Holland, for they are gradually disappearing in favor of the modern product—the steam and electrically driven mill.

N. GUARD UNIT IS FEATURE OF FORUM LUNCHEON

Captain C. A. Malone, Commander of Battery B, Speaks at Luncheon

Captain C. A. Malone, commander of Company B, Oregon National Guard, the Ashland unit, speaking at the Forum luncheon of the chamber of commerce held today at the Nelda Cafe declared, "Anyone who thinks because we belong to the National Guard we want to start a war is crazy. We have no desire to stand up and let anyone shoot at us, but if we are forced to do so, all we ask is that we be given something with which to shoot back. That is the reason we are National Guardsmen."

Malone declared that Company B is now in the best condition, both financially and in point of attendance that it has ever been. He stated that all obligations contracted by the organization are being met promptly and that the unit has the funds to meet these obligations. These funds are derived from rentals of the Armory building and through a small appropriation received each quarter from the federal government. The men, he said, are being put through an intensive course of training, while the Armory building, according to a statement by Adjutant General White, is in the best condition of any Armory in the state.

Former Captain, J. Q. Adams of Company B, gave an outline of the work of the organization during the period he was in command. He said that during that time, with the support of the chamber of commerce, Company B had risen from the poorest unit in the state, in point of attendance, to near the top, where it has remained.

Lieutenant Clyde Young declared that the work of the National Guard is educational, has a financial appeal, and is valuable since it forms associations of men.

V. V. Mills, and R. E. Detrick, former members of National Guard units gave short talks on the old days of National Guard work.

SOIL EXPERT WILL TALK TO FARMERS HERE

Announcement was made here this morning that County Agent Cate and Professors Long and Price of the Oregon Agricultural College will address a farmers' meeting, to be held in the city hall here tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Professor Long is of the Horticultural College, while Professor Price is the college soil expert. Although Price's talk here tomorrow will deal somewhat with soil conditions and methods for putting the soil into the best possible condition, he will stress, more than anything else, the idea of getting the maximum acreage under water.

With the Emigrant Creek water just coming into use, this talk (Continued on page 4)

ACTION TO BE TAKEN AGAINST OLD RAILROAD

Grants Pass Will Attempt to Get Road in Hands of Receiver

PLAN BRIDGE BUILDING

California and Oregon Coast Road Refuses to Open Operations to Aid Lumber, Cement Men

GRANTS PASS, Feb. 10.—Their patience exhausted at the apparent reluctance of the Twoby shippers to come to the relief of the shippers over the California and Oregon Coast railroad, city officials here will today seek for the road to be thrown into the hands of a receiver. With the road under a receivership, it will be possible to issue receiver's certificates and get enough money to go ahead and build the bridge over Rogue River, which was taken out last December when the Rogue was to the highest mark in recent years. The announcement of the proceedings was made yesterday by H. D. Norton, city attorney, at the noon forum luncheon of the Chamber of Commerce.

Efforts were made to get the Twoby interests to build the bridge by their made representations at the hearing held here January 27, with members of the public service commission present, that the road has been incurring regular deficits and has never paid for its cost of operation and its overhead. With all efforts unavailing to get results from any other source, the city of Grants Pass is now prepared to find a way out of the difficulty without the other interests.

Through the issuance of the receiver's certificates, money can be secured to build the bridge over the Rogue. These certificates will be retired through the receipts of the road, a small increase in rates now being considered necessary for this purpose.

There will be no trouble in getting the road in the hands of the receiver, Mr. Norton believes and once this is done there will be no delay in action looking forward to the building of the structure. This will give the lumber shippers and cement company an opportunity to get their enterprises again under way. The Beaver Portland Cement company has not been able to operate since the bridge went out.

MAN PAYS FINE FOR RECKLESS DRIVING

J. H. Hannaford, arrested yesterday by Police Chief George McNabb, on a charge of reckless driving, today pleaded guilty to the charge in police court and was fined \$10. Hannaford drove his car into the rear of the police car, standing in the Plaza. Although no damage was done, it appeared that he was handling his auto without due caution, so McNabb took him into custody.

PSYCHIATRISTS AT WORK ON STUDENT

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 10.—While expert psychiatrists today examined Louis Fish, 19, who last night admitted obtaining pills which caused the death of David Puskin, fellow student at the Ohio State University, local police stated that another arrest of a student was expected soon in connection with the strychnine poisoning probe. Psychiatrists hoped today to determine if Fish is the distorted mind at the root of the poisoning.

Jacksonville People Fight Removal Bill

JACKSONVILLE, Feb. 10.—Jacksonville citizens have started a subscription to send a representative to Salem to argue against the passage of the courthouse removal bill, proposed by Representative Carlin.