

STATE LAW-MAKERS PROMPTLY ORGANIZE

Bills Offered to Abolish Offices of Market Agent and Prohibition Commissioner.

Salem.—While very little of importance was accomplished aside from organization during the first week's session of the state legislature, yet if the celerity with which both houses organized is an indication of the manner in which the business of the session is to be conducted both houses should have no difficulty in completing their labors within the forty-day period. Organization was completed without the factional fights which have marked some previous sessions, so there will be no trail of bitterness to clog the legislative wheels. Gus C. Moser of Multnomah county was selected to preside over the senate and Denton G. Burdick, representative of Deschutes, Jefferson, Klamath and Lake counties, was elected speaker of the house. Both presiding officers were named without opposition.

Although there was an undercurrent of opinion when the legislature assembled that there would be no concerted effort to attack the administration of Governor Pierce, yet within an hour after the joint session before which the governor had delivered his message dissolved bills appeared which attacked pet projects of the governor. Senators Ritner and Taylor sponsored a measure abolishing the office of state market agent and Representative North introduced in the house a bill doing away with the same office and also that of the prohibition commissioner. In his message the governor vigorously defended Market Agent C. E. Spence and his department and he also praised the work of Prohibition Commissioner Cleaver.

May Restrict Appointive Power.
The controversies that have been raging between the executive and the fish and game commissions for several months past may culminate in an effort to divest the governor of the appointive power over the two commissions and the Port of Portland, and placing it in the legislature.

There is much sentiment in both houses against placing the appointive power in the legislature on the ground that it constitutes an invasion of the prerogatives of the executive. In other words it is contended that it constitutes an encroachment of the legislature upon the executive and administrative field.

Much of the governor's message dealt with taxation problems. He advocated a repeal of the millage highway tax, enactment of legislation providing for a severance tax; suggested a tax upon certain forms of amusement enterprises, and urged that all moneys collected by state commissions be turned into the state treasury.

A plea for additional safeguarding of the irreducible school fund was made, as was the recommendation that the state industrial insurance plan be made compulsory in all hazardous occupations.

Need of a reformatory for younger prisoners now in the penitentiary was also stressed.

Income Tax Repeal Regretted.

The governor expressed regret at the repeal of the income tax law, and urged upon the legislators the wisdom of passing some other similar law to equalize the tax burden, recommending as its model the South Carolina law which provides that every taxpayer shall pay in state income levy one-third the sum he pays under the federal income tax.

As an example of how easily much-needed legislation can be passed, both houses took house bill 32 and made it a law within a very few minutes after it was introduced. The bill gave the necessary authority for the state to pay senators and representatives their per diem and mileage allowances, as well as meet other expenses of the session, the sum of \$25,000 being voted.

A senate resolution calling for an investigation of State Prohibition Director Cleaver's department was promptly adopted by the house.

The committee that will investigate George L. Cleaver's administration of the state prohibition department will comprise ten members, five from the house and five from the senate.

The house committee will be Rushlight, Hurlburt, Lonergan, Swan and Fitzmaurice, and the committee is Garland, Eddy, Butler, Johnson and Hare. The investigating committee will have wide powers. It may subpoena witnesses and take their testimony under oath and may hold hearings wherever it desires, though most of them are expected to be in Salem. Early action will be taken so that the findings and recommendations of the committee may be filed with the legislature well ahead of the final week.

WHAT A BUDGET SYSTEM MEANS

One Must Keep Track of Disbursements to Get Ahead Financially.

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How to get ahead financially, yet live decently and well, is doubtless the most absorbing and important matter confronting the average person or the average family, and that is the subject we wish to discuss and endeavor to assist in solving.

No discussion of the subject can begin or end without mention of the meaning of "Thrift." Thrift means good management, vigorous growth; it means spending less than you earn; it means saving systematically. It does not mean that one should stop spending; on the contrary, it means spending, but spending wisely and thoughtfully instead of carelessly.

There is but one real way to discuss the question of Thrift and that is: What will Thrift do for me? The personal equation is all there is to Thrift—decide what you want and if you want it badly enough and are willing to pay the price you probably can have it.

Abolish Budget Commission.
Abolishment of the state budget commission as now constituted and transference of the duties of that department to the state board of control with a full time executive secretary is recommended by the budget commission in its report to the state legislature.

The budget commission believes that the present budget law is inadequate to meet the needs of the state in producing a satisfactory budget and believes that the establishment of a full-time budget department only will bring about the desired results.

Curbing of the present promiscuous system of salary adjustments is also contemplated by the report in a recommendation that all fees collected by the various state departments be thrown into the general fund and direct appropriations made from that fund for the administration of the departments.

Portents of strife over normal schools are appearing. Oregon now has one normal, located at Monmouth, and this institution desires a substantial sum for enlargement and improvements. There is also a demand for the creation of other normals, one in southern Oregon and one in eastern Oregon. Self-interest will supply the friction which will come over these matters.

Road Bills to be Numerous.

Highway legislation will be voluminous. There will be bills to increase the tax on gasoline. Bills to reduce the motor vehicle license fees; bills for permanent franchises for bus lines; bills regulating headlights; bills for having the state police the highways and prohibit "speed traps" in small towns; bills to amend the state market road law so that counties can use these funds for matching state and federal road money, and fully a score of other highway measures. Their name will be legion.

A measure will authorize the highway commission to issue bonds up to the 4 per cent constitutional limitation. The commission has such authority now but wants it made more specific. The governor wants to repeal the 1/2 mill road tax and there is a bill to have this tax devoted to buying parks and scenic points on state highways.

Legislative Brevities.

Senator Johnson of Benton introduced a bill providing that the dates for paying taxes in Oregon be changed from April 5 to May 5.

With 16 senators supporting it on a rising vote, the senate went on record as favoring the leasing of Muscle Shoals as against its operation as a government project.

Because of the many errors that have been discovered in laws enacted at previous sessions of the legislature the senate this year has employed an expert proof reader to pass on all bills before they are engrossed.

A stringent regulation of country dance halls would be enforced under a house bill introduced by Swan of Linn county.

Three full pardons, eight reprieves, 17 commutations of sentence and 58 conditional pardons were granted to persons convicted of felonies in Oregon by Governor Pierce during the first two years of his administration. This was set out in a report submitted to the legislature.

Senator Strayer has presented a bill which would authorize counties to apply market road funds to some roads that have been designated as state highways, but which are really market roads. It is the same measure he introduced in 1923, when the house defeated it because Strayer wouldn't support a tourist appropriation.

Senator Eddy is author of two school bills that also may get warm receptions. One specifies certain fundamental subjects for the high school curriculum and the other provides for the establishment of junior colleges in high school districts if the people of the district so elect. The schools would offer two years of college work following the school course.

LOGAN RIDGE

Too late for last week.

Friday night of last week the postponed Christmas program of the Upper Logan School was rendered at the Harding Grange hall. Despite the wind and rain there was a fair attendance. Perhaps a larger crowd would have been present if the arrangements made had not been unsatisfactory to some in the district. However those present could not regret hearing the program as it was such a one as to make even old Santa Happy.

Each number on the program was well rendered. Those deserving special merit were, "The Pantomime," "The Christmas Secrets" and "The Stocking Drill." Numerous recitations and other numbers are all worthy of mention, but space forbids. Teacher and pupils alike are to be commended for their good work.

John Hassel barely averted what might have been a serious accident last week: On his way in to Portland with a truck load of wood, a rim and tire from a passing Estacada stage struck his front wheel, the force nearly throwing the truck into the ditch. Quick action of the brake prevented any serious trouble.

The Union Sunday school last Sunday was well attended and a very helpful lesson was studied. Mrs. J. Arnold was entertaining Mrs. Paul of Portland, whose son Ed. is attending school here.

Miss Dorothy Benson was home from the Oregon City high school over Sunday. Her cousin from there accompanied her. J. D. Appling is driving the Pathe cream truck.

Report has it that Logan was also visited by an "unwelcome visitor." Jonas Cromer is reported as suffering from rheumatism.

LOGANBERRY TO THE RESCUE

High Iodine Content. Makes It a Valuable Goiter Preventive

SHERIDAN, OREGON.—(To the Editor, Oregonian.)—Goiter can be cured by one of Oregon's most famous products, according to an article by Dr. Woods Hutchinson in the January 3 issue of the Saturday Evening Post.

The humble loganberry is coming to the rescue of those afflicted with this disfiguring disease. According to Dr. Hutchinson the whole problem of goiter resolves itself into the question of the presence or absence of iodine in our thyroids. There is abundant convincing proof, not only from all over the United States, but from almost all over the world, that goiter is most intimately associated with storage of iodine in our food and drinking water, if not actually caused by it. Now the question is, if goiter is caused by deficiency of iodine, how can we make good this deficiency? Back in Rochester, N. Y., the city becoming alarmed at the great increase in goiter, is placing iodine in the reservoirs supplying drinking water to the entire city, with very gratifying results. In Oregon, however, this is unnecessary, as there is a much pleasanter way of absorbing sufficient iodine to prevent and cure this disease.

Dr. Hutchinson states that fruits, vegetables, seafoods and butter, contain from 75 to 150 parts per million of iodine, the highest notch of all, 165 parts, being scored by loganberries. In other words, the loganberry contains more iodine than any other known food. So let us drink more loganberry juice and eat more loganberry pie, for this is the grub that makes the goiter fly.

Therefore let us spread the good news, not only in Oregon, but to our eastern friends, and thus help to conquer this disease and also advertise that finest of and most delectable of fruits, the loganberry.

H. G. FUNK

VIOLA

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lankin have gone to Monument, Oregon for a few weeks visit with their daughter, Hazel. They went by auto. A report comes from there of quite a bit of snow.

Mrs. John Randolph has been entertaining a company from Seattle, Wash., a sister-in-law and three friends.

Babe White and family have gone to Kings Valley for a visit with Mrs. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Whitfield.

The Potter saw mill will start up soon which will be a great help to some of the men who have been out of work all winter.

Bargains—Good wall paper 25c per roll. Ten patterns to select from, at Pointer's. 11-6 tf

CHEVROLET NEWS

Evolution of the new Chevrolet, which made its initial bow at the New York Automobile show this month, was marked by hard, exacting yet interesting labor extending over a period of more than a year.

As far back as 1923 automotive and metallurgical experts started drawing plans for the new automobile. Sample cars were made, containing the forty-odd improvements, including disc clutch, springs, axles, manifolds, etc., and these were turned over to selected drivers working directly under the engineering staff for the hardest tests human ingenuity could devise. Every detail in the new car was forced to prove itself more than adequate for any demands it might be called upon to fulfill.

The new semi-elliptic springs underwent harder usage than any car owner could give them in five years. Day and night drivers tore over bumpy roads, taking railroad crossings, ruts and inequalities at high speed. The drivers were working under orders to "bust those springs if you can."

The new axles, front and rear, were subjected to similar trials. Every strain expert drivers could think of was placed on the axles, which had already withstood severe laboratory tests. Stresses that ordinary driving never would cause were laced on the new channel steel frame and its five sturdy cross members.

In fact every detail that is incorporated into the new Chevrolet was tested, improved and retested until it scored 100 per cent before it was adopted. In this way it was possible for the Chevrolet company to go into quantity production at once, secure in the knowledge that its new line would more than meet any requirements car owners would place on it.—From Chevrolet Motor Company.

UPPER EAGLE CREEK

Miss Edythe Peters and Mrs. R. B. Gibson were calling on Mrs. Paddison and Miss Naomi Paddison last Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Paddison is on the sick list. Ray Woodie with the help of Will Douglass and Will Asp, and his son Leslie has started the building of the playshed.

Miss Naomi Paddison, Fred Paddison, Geo. Smith and Bob Cahill motored to Oswego last Saturday evening to attend a masquerade ball at the Oswego Grange hall. They reported a fine time.

Bob Cahill left the first of the week for Astoria where he expects to find work. Mr. and Mrs. Will Douglass were calling at the home of Dick Gibson, Saturday evening.

Little Quintin Douglass is on the sick list but is improving. Mrs. Akers accompanied Miss Naomi Paddison to Estacada on Saturday.

A Clear Creek Creamery representative was in this neighborhood on Monday asking the people to send their cream to the Clear Creek Creamery instead of the Oregon City Creamery. Ray Woodie has taken the contract to haul the cream.

Hold Pomona Grange

The January meeting of the Clackamas County Pomona Grange was held with Oswego Grange No. 175 with an attendance of over 200.

Good reports were heard from the subordinate Granges and two resolutions, one on the book-keeping and accounting system, and one on the Tax Assessment and Land Reprisal bill were endorsed by the Grange.

Brother C. T. Dickinson of Oswego Grange very impressively installed the officers for the ensuing term of two years. Beautiful memorial services for Sister C. E. Spence and for Brother R. B. Wilmot were held in the afternoon.

Eleven candidates were given the degree of Pomona and an impromptu program was put on by the entertaining Grange in the evening.

Wm. Fink and family are driving a Ford car that they recently purchased from the Bob Cooke Motor Company.

LOCAL BREVITIES AND NEWS ITEMS

Clyde Shock was a Portland visitor last Monday.

A. N. Johnson was a Portland visitor for several days last week.

Upton H. Gibbs was a visitor to Washougal, Wash., last Thursday.

Mac Dale spent the week-end at the home of his family in Estacada.

J. C. Dues and J. Steinman drove to Oregon City last week on business.

Mrs. Mary Bartholomew of Heppner is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Eva Saling, in Estacada this week.

Mrs. Wm. Dale spent a few days visiting at the home of he daughter in Gresham last week.

Ray Lovelace has accepted a position with T. H. Morton as deliveryman.

Clarence Hull is driving a Ford which he recently purchased of the Cooke Motor Company.

Dave Eshelman returned to work Monday after being on the sick list for some time.

Miss Nova Smith of Oak Grove spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Ahlberg.

George Pointer was painting a sign on the front of the Bob Cooke Motor Company's garage the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Ahlberg and son Ted, Jr., visited with Mrs. Ahlberg's mother last Sunday in Currinsville.

Miss Vernice Cramer, who has been visiting in Tacoma since the holidays returned to her home here last Sunday evening.

Sam Loug of Springwater suffered a paralytic stroke the early part of the week but is reported to be resting well at this time.

The Cascade Motor Company sold the first 1925 Chevrolet touring car which arrived last week, to R. G. Marchbank of this city.

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James A. Marchbank of Hood River recently purchased a Chevrolet touring car from the Cascade Motor Company.

Mrs. Robert Cooke returned to her home in Estacada last Sunday after spending several weeks in the Good Samaritan hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Hyers and daughter, Alta, of Clatskanie were visitors at the C. F. Howe home, Thursday and Friday of this week.

John Page of Gladstone was an Estacada visitor last Saturday afternoon. While here he was looking after property interests which he still owns in this city.

Miss Irene Saling returned to her home here from Corvallis, where she has been attending O. A. C. She had to give up her work at this time due to poor health.

Do not forget the tractor school, Friday, January 23, at the Cooke Motor Company's garage. All tractor owners and interested persons are asked to attend.

In a letter to her aunt, Mrs. A. Sagner, Miss Johanna Lichthorn who is visiting in Oakland, California, at this time reports that she is getting along nicely and expects to return to Estacada in the spring.

At the present time water rent may be paid at the J. K. Ely store. The new recorder, Wm. Dale has not yet secured an office for this purpose but hopes to do so by the first of next month. He can be located at his residence in this city at any time.

The radio shop owned by Max Sagner and Bus Matson report the sale of an eight tube Super Heterodyne set to Tom Window of Portland, which they installed last week, and a complete four-tube set installed in the Frank Moore home in Estacada.

Dr. and Mrs. Ira Manville of Portland are the proud parents of a baby daughter, Dorothy Lee, born Tuesday, January 13, at the Wilcox Memorial hospital. Mrs. Manville was Miss Grace Denny of this city before her marriage.

Mrs. Myrtle Belfile of Portland was a visitor in Estacada last Saturday. She came to attend the joint installation of Rebekahs and Oddfellows held that evening. Mrs. Belfile is the Grand Chaplin for the Rebekahs in this district.