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FISH LADDERS FOR DESCHUTES ASKED IN BILL

\$15,000 APPROPRIATION INCLUDED

INSTRUCTORS INVADE

Staples Educational Bill Argued By Teachers' Delegation—Little Opposition To Port Bills Is Evidenced In The House.

(Special to The Bulletin.)

SALEM, Feb. 3.—A bill by Representatives Overturf, Burdick, Wright, Egbert and Robertson provides \$15,000 for fish ladders for the Deschutes river and a bill by Representative Stone of Clackamas county requires that all persons taking salmon eggs from salmon of the Willamette river or its tributaries shall liberate in this river at least 80 per cent of the fish eggs hatched.

Salem was invaded early in the week by a delegation of over 100 teachers who came in on special electric cars from Portland to attend an open meeting in the house and to present arguments for and against the Staples educational bill. Representative Huber, chairman of the Multnomah delegation, presided.

The speakers appeared in turn, five arguing against and five speaking on the merits of the bill, taking up the time until late in the night. The teachers, when questioned about lobbying, stated that they paid their railroad fare and other expenses individually, and that each had contributed \$2.50 to a sum that totaled \$2400 to employ T. C. Neuhausen as lobbyist for their cause at Salem.

Port Bill Vital.

Among the measures that most vitally affect the interests of Western Oregon in the legislature this year are the Port of Portland bills. All of these measures passed in the senate Monday afternoon and very little opposition is expected to develop in the house when the bills come up for passage there.

It was expected at first there would be an organized fight in the senate over these bills, but with a few exceptions harmony prevails.

In the main port bill the principal feature was to increase the membership from seven to nine and in the amendment Max H. Hauser was eliminated from the commission and three new men are added thereto. These new men are Thomas J. Mahoney, William L. Thompson and Harry L. Corbett. The addition of these names is considered a distinct recognition of the claims of the Eastern Oregon senators, and to their insistence that Eastern Oregon have a greater say in the discussion and deciding of this important measure.

With the exception of Harry L. Corbett the names of those added to the commission list are well known men from Eastern Oregon. Corbett, although not living in Eastern Oregon, has large land interests in the central part of the state and is very materially interested in the financial success of the eastern part of the state of Oregon.

Only Two Oppose.

During the discussion of these bills Senator Bruce Dennis of Union and Willowa counties made a brilliant talk advocating an appropriation of \$250,000 for the improvement of North Portland harbor. By the dredging and improvement of North Portland harbor it will open up direct water transportation and save hundreds of thousands of dollars to shippers of livestock and other commodities, he said. The livestock shippers from Eastern Oregon may thus transport their stock to Portland and thence by water transportation, thus obviating the necessity, as at present, of shipping by rail to Kansas City, Omaha and other markets far removed.

In the group of bills the commission has the authority to acquire Swan island without reference to the people, but it cannot acquire Mock's bottom or Guld's lake and fill these lowlands from the dredges without the approval of the qualified voters. The Eastern Oregon legislators

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LETTER POINTS CROOKED RIVER POSSIBILITIES

REPORT OF ENGINEER QUESTIONED

EFFICIENT USE URGED

Communication To Percy A. Copper Suggests Irrigation of North Unit By Waters of Both The Deschutes and Crooked River.

(Special to The Bulletin.)

In connection with the work done by the Bend Commercial club on the question of irrigation in this section, a letter made public today written to Percy A. Copper, state engineer, under date of January 27, brings out points of particular interest in regard to the possibilities for irrigating the North unit from Crooked river. The letter is as follows: "Mr. Percy A. Copper, State Engineer, Salem, Ore.

"Dear Sir: Since our conversation of yesterday I have been devoting some study to the cooperative report on the Ochoco project and Crooked river. A number of questions suggest themselves to me and, while it must be assumed that they will not be new to you, I would like to know the answers for my own satisfaction and think a discussion may tend to clarify the situation and satisfy everyone concerned.

From pages 76 and 77 of the cooperative report and the pages immediately preceding and following I gather that the estimate of the engineers for the irrigation of 55,000 acres under a low-line canal with storage in Post reservoir, the lands to be irrigated including 9000 acres in the vicinity of Prineville and 46,000 in the Haystack Butte country, is \$4,262,900, or \$72.52 per acre, while the estimate under a high-line canal on 61,000 acres, being 15,000 acres in the vicinity of Prineville and 46,000 acres in the Haystack-Butte country, is \$5,071,600, or \$83.14 per acre. It appears that this estimate is not based upon complete surveys because the engineers concluded that the expense would be prohibitive, and therefore estimated a considerable portion of the canal expense without going into detailed surveys.

Report Is Studied.

"I note also that the estimate appears to call for 75 miles of main canal, and I take it from inspection of the map that this includes the main canal necessary for the irrigation of the lands in the vicinity of Prineville, and also the main canal down to the vicinity of Madras. It would appear that such a canal would duplicate from Smith's Rock on to the vicinity of Madras the main canal under contemplation for development of the North unit from the Deschutes river.

"These things lead me to inquire how far the conclusion of the engineers that the use of the Crooked river stored waters for irrigation development was not feasible was based upon contemplation of the particular mode of use referred to, and whether the same conclusions would necessarily follow under somewhat different circumstances. It would appear that the canal referred to in the cooperative report would leave the channel of Crooked river only a short distance below the reservoir, and some parts of the report suggest that the canal line would return to the Crooked river canyon below Prineville. This naturally suggests the inquiry whether, if the idea of irrigating the lands in the vicinity of Prineville with Crooked river water were eliminated, as I assumed would now be the case in view of the Ochoco development, the stored Crooked river water could not be carried down the natural channel of Crooked river much farther and at much less expense. From my own recollection of the lay of the ground I would suppose that this would be possible, but of course observation of that character are of very slight value.

Suggests Use of Two Rivers.

"In this same connection I take it that the cost of main canals is ordinarily lower per unit of water conveyed for a large volume of water

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BUSINESS OF STATE SHOWS RAPID GROWTH

\$45,000,000 IS SUM TO BE HANDLED IN YEAR

DIRECT TAX \$15,000,000

Portland Senator Holds Record For Introducing Bills At This Session Of The Legislature—Spite Measure Is Introduced.

(Special to The Bulletin.)

SALEM, Feb. 1.—That Oregon is engaged in big business is evidenced from the fact that approximately \$45,000,000 will be handled by the state during 1923-24. This amounts to about 19 times as much as the state handled 10 years ago and shows that business has vastly grown in importance during this period.

A large part of the increase is occasioned by the state highway program and the workmen's compensation law. The state industrial institutions also take up a large part of this amount. The highways and industrial accident department have been newly created within the last 10 years. The taxpayers of the state will have to pay a little over \$15,000,000 of this amount by direct taxation, or by levies authorized by popular vote above the 6 per cent limit. The other \$30,000,000 is financed by motor vehicle license fees and other industries of the state.

Hume Has Record.

Senator Hume of Portland holds the championship with a record of having put in 18 measures and Senator Gus C. Moser has run Hume a close second. In the house Representative Korell has outdistanced all competitors with a record of 10 new measures to his credit.

One—and about the only one—of the freak bills introduced in the senate is senate bill No. 173, introduced by Senator Smith. This is supposed to be a retaliatory measure introduced by Senator Smith because of the failure of his chiropractic measure to receive official endorsement. Bill No. 173 calls for an act to authorize the regulating of drugless lawyers in the state of Oregon, authorizing the practice of ambulance chasing and other remunerative systems of legal practice and fixing the legal standing of those given licenses under the act. The bill goes on at some length and after defining lawless law, section 5 states: "The board is hereby authorized to examine applicants in subjects peculiar to the system of lawless law which applicant wishes to practice under the provisions of this act. Such examinations shall be in writing and shall embrace the following subjects: Manicuring and camouflage, which subjects are hereby declared to be common and necessary to all systems of lawless legality covered by the provisions of this act. The fee for such examinations shall be 15 cents, which shall in no case be returned to the applicant.

May Amend Drainage Act.

"Nothing in this law shall be construed to apply to any barber, in the

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TOURIST AND COMMERCIAL NEEDS RECOGNIZED BY HIGHWAY BOARD

Road work accomplished by the Oregon state highway commission in Deschutes county is summarized in the commission's fourth biennial report, a copy of which has just been received here. The report covers the period from December 1, 1918, to November 30, 1920. Regarding this county the introductory paragraph of the report says: "The McKenzie River highway, The Dalles-California highway, the Bend-Sisters highway and the Central Oregon highway form a network having junction points in Deschutes county. Construction of these highways will not only give tourists from all points access to this very refreshing bit of mountain country, but will

UPTON SILENT AS TO HINT OF "HIDDEN HAND"

GIVES NO EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT

QUERY NOT ANSWERED

Senator Fails To Explain Innuendoes Regarding The Commercial Club Policy—Second Demand For Reply Wired To Salem.

(Special to The Bulletin.)

Charges made early last week by State Senator Jay H. Upton of Prineville, to the effect that an "invisible hand" is guiding the Bend Commercial club in its request for the appointment of a commission to study the most efficient uses to which the waters of the Deschutes may be put, remain unexplained by Senator Upton. This in spite of the fact that last Wednesday, after his letter had been published in full, he was re-questioned by wire to stop dealing in innuendoes, and to produce evidence in support of his statement.

A second request was wired Senator Upton today by R. W. Sawyer, who, with A. Whisnant, is a member of the Commercial club irrigation committee, as follows: "Jay H. Upton, "State House, Salem, Ore.:

"Am waiting for answer to my telegram. You have made charge that work Whisnant and I are doing is actuated by hidden motive or that we are controlled by some sinister influence. I demand that you produce evidence to support charge or withdraw it. In your own words, 'whose is the invisible hand?' You asked that question, either knowing there was no invisible hand, or that there was. Which was it?"

IRRIGATION STAND HAS SOLID SUPPORT

Belief that the people of Bend are solidly behind the Commercial club irrigation policy expressed in the request for the appointment of a commission to study the most efficient uses to which the waters of the Deschutes may be put is voiced by Emil Pearl of the Golden Rule store. Mr. Pearl's statement was made in connection with a news story printed in Redmond quoting the Bend merchant as saying that a number of the old residents of the city dislike the attitude taken by the club.

"I was merely repeating a report which I had heard," Mr. Pearl said this morning. "Since the aims of the irrigation committee of the club have been fully explained, I consider that any opposition, if it ever existed, is a thing of the past."

NEW BOILERS PLACED AT SHEVLIN PLANT

The last boiler of five being installed at the Shevlin-Hixon plant was hoisted into place this morning and work has commence bricking in the ovens. It is expected that the new boilers will be ready for use in 20 days.

W. T. MULLARKY, FIRST COUNTY ASSESSOR, DIES

BREAKDOWN FOLLOWS OVERWORK

WAS EARLY RESIDENT

Veteran Official Came To Central Oregon Eleven Years Ago—Was High In Masonry And Headed Local Royal Arch Chapter.

(Special to The Bulletin.)

W. T. Mullarky, assessor of Deschutes county ever since the county's organization, slightly more than four years ago, died, aged 56, at his rooms in the Altamont hotel late Tuesday morning. A nervous breakdown last week, the result of overwork, followed this morning by a paralytic stroke, caused his death.

Mr. Mullarky had been ill for days before his condition became so serious Saturday night that he was unable to remain longer in his office. Intent on completing the 1920 tax rolls for delivery to the sheriff, he had disregarded grave symptoms, which became manifest early last week, and worked on, finishing the rolls three weeks earlier than in any previous year. His son, Douglas, editor of the Redmond Spokesman, arrived in Bend Sunday morning and was constantly at his father's bedside until the end came. In the time elapsing since Saturday night Mr. Mullarky had only rare intervals of dazed consciousness, friends who visited him stated. Details connected with his official duties seemed to be constantly on his mind.

Was Head of R. A. M.

William Thomas Mullarky was born in Freeport, Ill., on December 8, 1864. Part of his life was spent in Minnesota, where he was clerk of Red Lake county. From there he moved to New Mexico, seeking to benefit his wife's health by a change of climate. After her death he went to Idaho, where with a brother he conducted a fruit ranch. Eleven years ago he came to Central Oregon, farming in the vicinity of Redmond until his appointment as county assessor.

Mr. Mullarky was a member of Redmond lodge No. 154, A. F. & A. M., was high priest of Bend chapter No. 39, Royal Arch Masons, was junior warden of Pilgrim commandery No. 18, Knights Templar, and held membership in Al Kader temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

The body is to be taken to Redmond, where burial will be made, with the Redmond blue lodge in charge of the ceremonies.

Knights Direct Funeral.

Under the direction of Pilgrim commandery No. 18, Knights Templar, funeral services were held, beginning at 2:30 o'clock today at the gymnasium, for Mr. Mullarky. W. D. Barnes, as eminent commander, and Hugh Braden, as prelate, were in charge of the ceremonies.

All Sir Knights met at the asylum at 1 o'clock to march in a body to the Niswonger chapel. From there they escorted the body to the gymnasium. Members of the order attending the services were in uniform. All offices in the courthouse were closed from 2 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Deschutes county court, in session Wednesday, adopted resolutions expressing an appreciation of the loss suffered by the county in Mr. Mullarky's death.

SIX YEAR OLD MAKES LONG JOURNEY ALONE

A seasoned traveler arrived in Bend on Monday in the person of ten-year-old Leonard Adcock, who made the trip alone from his home in Ranger, Texas. The youngster left Ranger last Wednesday night, coming by way of Denver, Salt Lake and Ogden, arriving at The Dalles Tuesday morning, leaving in the afternoon for Bend.

He was met at the station here by his uncle, E. C. Eberly of the Fair store, with whom he will make his home.

SEEK TO TAKE WATER ISSUE FROM ENGINEER

WANT QUESTION LEFT TO U. S. SERVICE

MADRAS ANTAGONISTIC

Conference At Redmond Shows Aloofness of Prineville Delegates And Selfishness of North Unit, Club Members Report.

(Special to The Bulletin.)

A movement supported by the Redmond Commercial club to turn over to the control of the U. S. Reclamation service the irrigation program of Central Oregon, insofar as it concerns the Deschutes project, is to be initiated, members of the irrigation committee of the Bend Commercial club reported at the weekly club luncheon at the Pilot Butte Inn yesterday. A spirit of aloofness displayed by Prineville citizens and a thinly veiled antagonism by Madras delegates toward any possible change in the present program to water the lands of the North unit regardless of the consequent perpetual aridity of much of the acreage in the other three units, is responsible for the adoption of this policy. These attitudes were taken by Prineville and Madras representatives who attended a conference held Tuesday night in Redmond. A. Whisnant and R. W. Sawyer of the club irrigation committee stated.

Madrans Men Non-Committal.

Mr. Whisnant pointed out that none of the directors of the North unit was present at the conference and the Jefferson county men who were in attendance were unwilling to commit themselves. They were unwilling to leave the present situation for something of which they were not absolutely sure, he said. County Judge N. G. Wallace of Prineville, Mr. Whisnant said, affirmed that the North unit could not back up on its contract with the Portland bonding house which has taken over \$75,000 of the district's bonds. Mr. Whisnant pointed out, however, that the money secured from these bonds had been chiefly used in surveys, which would be equally valuable if the work were carried on by the reclamation service.

He reported that the Redmond representatives are solidly with Bend.

Mr. Sawyer declared that the Madras spirit constitutes the greatest danger to Bend. Madras delegates, he said, showed clearly that they were for North unit irrigation first, last and all the time, regardless of the rest of the project. The Jefferson county delegates, he said, were inclined to doubt the figures submitted on the amount of water in the Deschutes river, secured from the state engineer, and also doubted the figures regarding the water to be asked for by the North unit. They declined to answer when asked if they wanted to go ahead on the present program and leave out the other units.

If the matter is left with State Engineer Percy A. Copper, Deschutes county stands to lose, Mr. Sawyer pointed out, as that official is already on record.

Rate Probe Promised.

R. S. Hamilton denied that Bend is being actuated by any selfish motive, emphasizing that lands nearer the Benham Falls storage reservoir are as much entitled to irrigation as those in Jefferson county.

R. A. Ward of the freight rate committee reported that the public service commission has promised an immediate investigation of the differential which is handicapping Central Oregon in the matter of shipping potatoes and hay to Willamette valley points. The railroads are unwilling to make any reduction, he said. The differential against Bend means a total handicap of \$30,000 in shipping the 20,000-ton hay surplus, he showed.

J. Edgar Bloom submitted a supplementary report on the question of securing an auto camp ground for Bend.