

# Doings of Our Legislators

**Compensation Law Changed**  
Some changes in the State Industrial Accident Commission law are made by Senate Bill 282, sponsored by Eddy.  
Its beneficiaries include inmates of state institutions engaged in any hazardous occupation within the meaning of this act.  
It increases the compensation of injured workmen, and the amount of dues paid into the fund.  
There are several other changes in the old law which, it is claimed, increase its effectiveness.

**New Motor Vehicle Code Passed**  
An act for regulation of motor vehicle traffic, providing for traffic signs and signals, and for the enforcement of the act, was embodied in House Bill 355.  
This law allows the driver any rate of speed which he shall deem reasonable and prudent and holds him guilty of a misdemeanor if he drives at a rate of speed which traffic officers consider unnecessarily slow.  
Signals formerly in use are reinstated. All these signals shall be given from the left side of the vehicle, and they shall be given continuously during the last fifty feet traveled by the vehicle before turning.  
Drivers should familiarize themselves thoroughly with the new regulations based upon this new law.

**Appointments Confirmed**  
Mrs. Cornelia Marvin Pierce, nominee of Governor Meier for member of the State Board of Higher Education, was confirmed without debate.  
Herman Oliver, interim appointee of Governor Norblad, was also confirmed as member of the Board of Higher Education.

**Interim Committee Elected**  
The six members of the interim committee elected every two years by the Senate, were elevated to this position after spirited balloting. Members elected are Jones, Strayer, Eddy, Moser, Eberhard, and Schulmerich. The duty of the committee is to confirm the Governor's appointments of members of the Board of Higher Education between sessions of the legislature.

**State Gathers the Coin**  
When Senate Bill 32, requiring that all revenues of state departments be deposited in a general fund, subject to legislative appropriations, came up for final consideration, Senator Bailey moved amendments omitting therefrom the provision including the funds of higher education boards. Highway and industrial accident commission funds had been excepted.  
Miller moved that the game and fish and fish hatchery funds be excepted.  
Crawford objected to this "butchering" the bill.  
Woodward characterized present system as composed of leeches referring to various boards and commissions. This bill is an effort toward economy.  
Bennett got into the fray with a plea to vote down amendments.  
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Burke declared that the commission which has "Pull" gets out from under this pull.  
Schulmerich moved to amend to exempt the banking board from provisions of the act.  
All amendments except that omitting higher education funds from the provisions of the law were accepted.

**Senator Fisher says there is a "New Spirit" manifesting its presence in Washington and Tillamook counties at the present writing. Washington and Tillamook county newspapers, commercial clubs, organizations, and city officials are all pulling together. Big things are coming to pass in Tillamook and Washington counties.**

**Senator Fisher praises in the highest terms the good work of George W. Lippert of the United West Side clubs in behalf of the Tualatin Tunnel bill both in the Senate and House.**

**An important project now before the State Highway Dept. is the widening of the Klamath Highway with concrete between Beaverton on the east and Hillsboro on the west. The county court of Washington county has offered \$10,000.00 for said project, and many people along the highway are contributing right of way.**

**Messrs. J. H. Benars of McMinnville, Jack Vanderzander of Roy, Washington county and Ex-senator Eliot of Benton county called on the Washington county delegation Monday in regard to relieving the tax burden on real property. These gentlemen believe the time has arrived to take all taxes off real estate.**

**Pacific University has been signally honored at the 36th session of the Oregon Legislature by the efficient service rendered by Miss Doris Anne Fritzsche and Miss Victoria Seymour, who have acted as secretaries for Senators Fisher and Bailey, respectively.**

**Representative Winslow and Sen-**

**ator Fisher of Tillamook are much interested in the decision of the State Highway Commission that will be handed down soon in regard to selecting the Route to Tillamook.** Beginning at Glenwood above Gales City, the engineers have recommended the Great Route to Mohler and Nehalem Bay as the North Route. Now if the Wilson River is selected as the South Fork of the Short Route to the coast program, the best interests of Tillamook and Washington counties will be served.

**Refund Killed**  
Senate Bill 74, with an adverse report attached to it by the roads and highways committee was quickly consigned to eternal rest by the Senate.  
The purpose of this bill was to authorize and direct the state highway commission to reimburse the counties for all monies expended by them in the construction of state highways within a specified time and amounting to \$15,000,000.00.  
It was explained by Senator Upton, sponsor of this measure, that it would reduce property tax.

**Would Tax Malt**  
A proposed tax on malt has been approved by the Ways and Means committee.  
This proposal is for a tax of 25 cents per gallon on malt extracts and 5 cents a pound on dry malt.  
The estimate on the amount of money to be raised under this act is based on a similar law in Michigan. There the population is about five times that of Oregon and the revenue from this source is \$1,200,000 a year, hence it is expected that the revenue here would be approximately \$240,000 for the same period.

**School Bill Killed**  
The House, on Monday, this week, voted down the Gill bill, which provided for change in the date of annual school elections. In this bill, too, the right to contract with teachers for a longer period than one year was denied. It was upon this latter feature that most of the opposition centered.

**Statuary Request Turned Down**  
The Joint Ways and Means committee has turned down an appropriation of \$10,000, sought by House Bill 110, by Representatives Gordon, Lonergan, Taylor, Lee and Senators Dunne, Woodward, Hall, and Crawford for the purpose of placing statues of Jason Lee and Dr. McLoughlin in Statuary Hall in the Nation's Capitol.  
Only two votes were recorded in favor of it, and these were based on previous campaigning, it is said.

**Oregon Adopts State Police Plan**  
One of the outstanding victories for Governor Meier was the passage of S. B. 170 providing for the creation of a department of police.  
This administration measure, authored by Senator B. L. Eddy, was a bold stroke in legislation in that it includes several departments, each jealous of its own prerogatives and unwilling to give up its control.  
The scope of this measure includes the enforcement of all criminal laws and includes the traffic, prohibition, fish and game laws or the state. No department will be abolished, however, except the prohibition department; and there will be experts for all classes of crime.  
All objections were met by either a showing that they were not well founded or by amendments to the proposed law.  
The proponents of the bill called attention to the growing disrespect for law under the present system; of authority divided between the governor and secretary.

**Tunnel Proposal Wins**  
After relieving the state from any liability for construction or operation of the Portland-Tualatin tunnel project, S. B. 195 providing for the creation of a tunnel commission passed both branches of the legislature and received the governor's signature.  
The state highway commission is credited with its endorsement. The cost and operation will be met from receipts only. The initial finances necessary, it is claimed by its friends, are assured.  
The estimated cost is \$6,000,000 and the receipts sufficient to pay for it in approximately fourteen years.

**Stink Bombs Outlawed**  
War is declared on the use of stink bombs in Oregon in S. B. 353. Several instances of the use of these weapons to force compliance with demands upon theatres makes it apparent that their use may become an increasing menace to law and order.  
By the provisions of the bill their use is a crime.

**Copco. Bill Passes**  
S. B. 315, called the "Copco" bill since it represents the desires of the California-Oregon Power Co. for water rights on Klamath river, may well be called the "mystery" bill of the session.

**"Much Ado"—Then Nothing**  
The proposal to increase the compensation for legislators was made by Woodward, providing for the sum of \$500 for the two years' term. This proposal was followed by S. J. R. 29, by Miller, providing for a compensation of \$8 per day. In

both resolutions travelling allowances remained as now.  
After prolonged and skillful parliamentary jockeying, a compensation of \$3 a day for expenses and \$5 a day for wages for not to exceed 50 days regular session and not to exceed 20 days for special session; Senator Bailey engineering the same with Moser and Eddy assisting was adopted.  
Both resolutions provided for a vote of the people on a constitutional amendment at the next regular election.  
The measure went down to defeat in the house where the per diem is said to have been considered too low.

**Church Property Taxed**  
H. L. 312 passed both houses with amendments. This measure, championed by Chingren, relates to church property exemptions from taxation.  
Parsonages and rectories have been put on the tax rolls this year by authority of the state tax commission.

**New Parole Board Provided**  
Not only was the legislature in a mood to give to Governor Meier practically all of the laws he desired but in one case insisted upon furnishing him a new parole board whether or not he wanted it.  
The bill creates a parole board consisting of the warden of the penitentiary and four other persons appointed by the governor. This board is authorized to appoint a parole officer who shall reside at the penitentiary.

**Session Shows Progress**  
Friday morning last, while the hands of the state house clock pointed to 12:50 as the closing moment, Oregon's thirty-sixth legislature passed into history. Good fellowship prevailed among the legislators weary from the long hour and turmoil of the 53-day session. "Auld Lang Syne" was the closing expression of future optimism and good will.

**Corvallis—Austrian winter field peas, rapidly becoming popular as both a seed and forage crop in Oregon, are being tried out as an orchard cover crop by a number of county agents, according to O. T. McWhorter, horticultural specialist of the Oregon State college Extension service. Counties in which such trials are being made are Multnomah, Polk, Benton, Jackson, Washington, Douglas, Yamhill, and Clackamas.**

**The church building at Swenson has been extensively repaired.**

## ON OREGON FARMS

**Coquille**—A recent observation of evergreen blackberries on the Coos river school grounds, to which County Agent Jenkins applied powder I at-leide last fall, showed a fairly good kill. The bushes, however, are growing in large clumps, and some green vines can be seen. An investigation later this spring will yield more complete and accurate information, he believes Jenkins.

**Roseburg**—Feeding hogs proved a most profitable method of marketing grain for W. A. Bigard of Round Prairie, who recently reported to County Agent J. C. Leedy that his 20 head of hogs made a daily gain of 2 pounds each, for a period of 50 days. The hogs were put into the fattening pen weighing 110 pounds each and fed a mixed ration composed of 87 per cent barley, 10 per cent alfalfa meal, and 3 per cent fish meal. When slaughtered at the end of 50 days, the hogs averaged slightly more than 210 pounds each, and sold for nine and one-half cents a pound dressed.

**Ontario**—Plans for a permanent county-wide association of 4-H club local leaders are under way in Malheur county. The county now has more than 45 clubs with 347 members, reports Gus Hagglund, assistant county agent, who is in charge of boys' and girls' club work.

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## Oregon State News

**Holec and Yocubets sawmill near Scio will be moved to Crabtree, soon.**

**Hudson-Duncan & Co. of Portland plan to erect warehouses for the wholesale distribution of groceries in the territory around Roseburg.**

**The Woodburn water board has ordered material for the improvement of the water system. The estimated cost of this improvement is \$3,500.**

**The State Highway Department is reconstructing one-fourth mile of the Klamath Falls-Lakeview highway between Olene and Dairy, at a cost of \$9,000.**

**The contract has been awarded to C. J. Montag of Portland for the construction of the Santiam highway bridge at Bryant Hill, four miles above this town.**

**Work has started on the new bridge to span Beaver slough near Ingalls, about two miles northeast of Clatskanie, and to connect the highway with the drainage land district.**

**The State Highway Commission has awarded the contract for applying non-skid surface on the Pacific Highway from Roseburg to Canyonville, and from Wilbur to Eugene.**

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IF THE SIDEWALK IS SLIPPERY  
IF SET 600 AT BRIDGE —  
IF HE'S GOT DA ELL AVA GOLF  
IF A TIRE GOES BLOOEY! —  
IF THE WATCH IS SLOW AGAIN  
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**Iowa Brothers Set New World's Record in Ford**

**WORLD'S ENDURANCE CAR CITY OF DES MOINES**  
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Governor John Hammill of Iowa (left) and Walter Ferrell, executive secretary of the Iowa chapter of the American Automobile Association (extreme right), congratulating the Davis brothers on the establishment of a new world's non-motor, non-wheel stop automobile endurance record.

IOWA state officials and civic leaders witnessed the establishment of a new world's non-motor, non-wheel stop automobile endurance record recently, when Ralph and Roland Davis, brothers, brought their Model A Ford to a halt at the east entrance of the state capitol in Des Moines after 2,775 hours and 46 minutes of continuous driving.

When Governor Hammill, standing with Walter Ferrell, executive secretary of the Iowa Chapter of the American Automobile Association, gave the signal to stop, the Ford had traveled a total of 47,153.3 miles over all sorts of roads in all sorts of weather and had exceeded by 33,650 miles

and more than 2,325 hours the American non-stop endurance record which, therefore officially recognized, was made by a much heavier car under almost ideal conditions on the Indianapolis speedway last year. In the course of the endurance run, the car, known as "The City of Des Moines," covered practically the entire state of Iowa.

Engineers who examined the Ford at the conclusion of the run asserted that neither engine nor chassis showed evidence of the gruelling strains to which they were subjected during the 116 days of continuous driving. Both apparently, according to the engineers, would have been good for another 50,000 miles or more.

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