

OREGON STATE LEGISLATIVE NEWS

Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers

The 37th Oregon legislative assembly convened Monday, January 9 and after quickly organizing set about to tackle problems which the extraordinary session last week failed to solve. There was no change in the organization of either house or senate. Fred E. Kiddie was re-elected president of the senate and Earl W. Snell speaker of the house. Contrary to usual custom, there was no message from the governor.

The first act of the senate was to adopt a resolution providing that no overtime compensation shall be received by senate employees, but an exception was taken when it was voted to raise the pay of the doorkeeper from \$4 to \$5 a day because of the long hours served.

Among the first items of business in the house was the introduction of resolutions preliminary to beer control legislation.

The legislature has the chore of reducing expenses below the present budget and of providing revenue sufficient to meet the restricted requirements of the state.

"Lame Duck" Plan Up
A resolution for ratification of the "lame duck" amendment to the federal constitution was received in the house Monday afternoon.

Abolition of state taxes on real or tangible personal property was proposed in a resolution introduced, the plan, if approved, to be submitted to the people for vote. It is proposed that all revenue for state purposes be raised by other than an ad valorem tax.

The first Monday in January following the general election is fixed as the time when members of the legislature take office by a resolution introduced. This is to clarify the existing law and if approved will be submitted to the people.

Auto Fee Cut Backed
Annual license fees on passenger automobiles would be reduced to \$5, plus a 2 per cent property tax, under the provisions of a bill introduced by Senator Allen. Both the license fee and the tax would be payable to the secretary of state at the same time. Allen submitted figures showing that the combined \$5 license fee and the 2 per cent property tax would raise approximately \$2,225,000 annually. Receipts from the gasoline tax would increase the total amount of motor vehicle revenue, exclusive of fees on trucks and busses, to more than \$5,000,000.

Two other bills introduced today deal with unemployment relief. One of these, by Spaulding, authorizes the state to borrow \$10,000,000 from the Reconstruction Finance corporation, to be loaned to employes in all lines of agriculture and industry. The money would be used in paying wages.

Land Movement Backed
The other unemployment relief bill was introduced by Senator Lee and Representative Beckman and provides for a "back to the land movement." Lands reclaimed by the state and counties through tax foreclosures would be made available to the unemployed under this measure.

Senator Lee explained that her proposal would provide homes for a large number of unemployed, restore large tracts of land to the tax rolls and relieve the existing taxation burdens. The bill carries an appropriation of \$100,000.

A bill by Senator Strayer provides for rerouting the Baker-Cornucopia highway.

Submit Bills Early
Speaker Earl Snell Tuesday urged members of the house to get their bills into the hopper as fast as possible, so that the committees could settle down to work and put them through the legislative machine.

However, "haste makes waste," Senator Strayer has warned his fellow legislators. As head of the engrossing committee he announced Wednesday that representatives and senators were in too much of a hurry to get their bills in. They are making errors in them which cost the state hundreds of dollars in printing bills to rectify. A number of legislators favor the completion of the legislature before the regulation 40 days are up.

Tax Malt, Cosmetics, Tobacco
Cosmetics, tobacco and malt would be taxed 10 per cent in a bill introduced in the house by Representative Martin of Marion. She estimates the bill would raise \$2,000,000 in two years, with the tax borne by the buyer, not the merchant. She is opposed to a sales tax.

Wants State's Credit Pledged
Senator Upton wants the legislature to pledge itself not to adjourn until some plan has been devised and enacted to raise necessary revenue to preserve the credit of the state and to relieve real property of the tax burden it is now forced to carry. The proposal is contained in a concurrent resolution introduced by the senator from Deschutes.

Regulation of Utilities
The committee on assessment and taxation of municipal utilities created by the last legislature, recommends the creation of nonpartisan boards or commissions for the regulation of publicly owned utilities in each community. Membership on such boards should be for long terms of from five to six years. Such a board, it is believed, would remove the utility from politics and eliminate favoritism and incompetence in appointments, promotions and removals.

To Help Unemployed
State armories and the Clackamas rifle range, together with all available tents, blankets, coats and cooking utensils, would be placed at the disposal of the unemployed in Oregon, under the provisions of a resolution introduced in the senate. The resolution was sponsored by Senator Spaulding. He declared that this action by the state would provide shelter and comfort for several thousand persons pending the return of near-normal conditions.

Payment by the federal government of adjusted compensation to world war veterans was urged in a memorial introduced by Senator Booth. He said the payment of this compensation would go far toward relieving the conditions of thousands of war veterans who are now without funds to purchase the necessities of life. Copies of the memorial were ordered sent to Oregon's representatives in congress.

Taxing Utilities
Representative Hilton of Multnomah introduced a bill in the house Wednesday to amend the law relating to taxing utilities operating without a franchise. The present law reads that no tax may be levied until the utility has operated without a franchise for a year. Hilton's amendment would reduce the time to 30 days.

Accident Board Asks for Funds
A state appropriation to cover the administrative expense of the industrial accident commission has been suggested by Charles T. Early, chairman of the commission to Senator Woodward, chairman of a sub-committee making an investigation of that department.

Study Phone System
Organization of cooperative telephone districts under a plan similar to that provided by the grange bill of the 1931 legislature covering the organization of people's utility districts, is proposed in a bill which found its way into the legislative hopper, under the sponsorship of Senators Zimmerman, Dickson and Burke and a group of house members.

The measure provides for the filing of petitions with the county court for an election to determine the attitude of the voters with respect to the proposed organization. Construction of lines and exchanges would be financed through bond issues to be voted by the people of the district and to be retired through profits of the enterprise. Responsibility for the administration of the affairs of the district would be reposed in a board of five directors to be elected by the voters of the district but active direction of the enterprise to be employed by the board of directors.

Provision is made in the measure for the organization of strictly rural districts, for the organization of municipalities into telephone districts or for the organization of both rural and urban districts.

Appropriation Bill Signed
There are several sales tax plans which are now floating around the legislative halls and corridors. All of the new plans, however, make generous provision for the counties with the state taking the smaller end of the apportionment. Just how soon any of them find their way into the legislative hopper will rely largely upon how soon the sponsors of the various views are able to concentrate upon some plan which seems to offer the best prospects of success.

Legislators as well as employes of the legislature were feeling somewhat relieved when Governor Meier signed the appropriation bill Tuesday afternoon, authorizing payment of expenses of the special session.

Governor's Message
Oregon for the past 30 years has been on a spending debauch, the governor told the house in his message.

"In our orgy of extravagance we have considered the public purse bottomless and public credit inexhaustible. A year or so ago the combined annual tax collections of the federal, state and local government in Oregon approximated \$108,000,000.

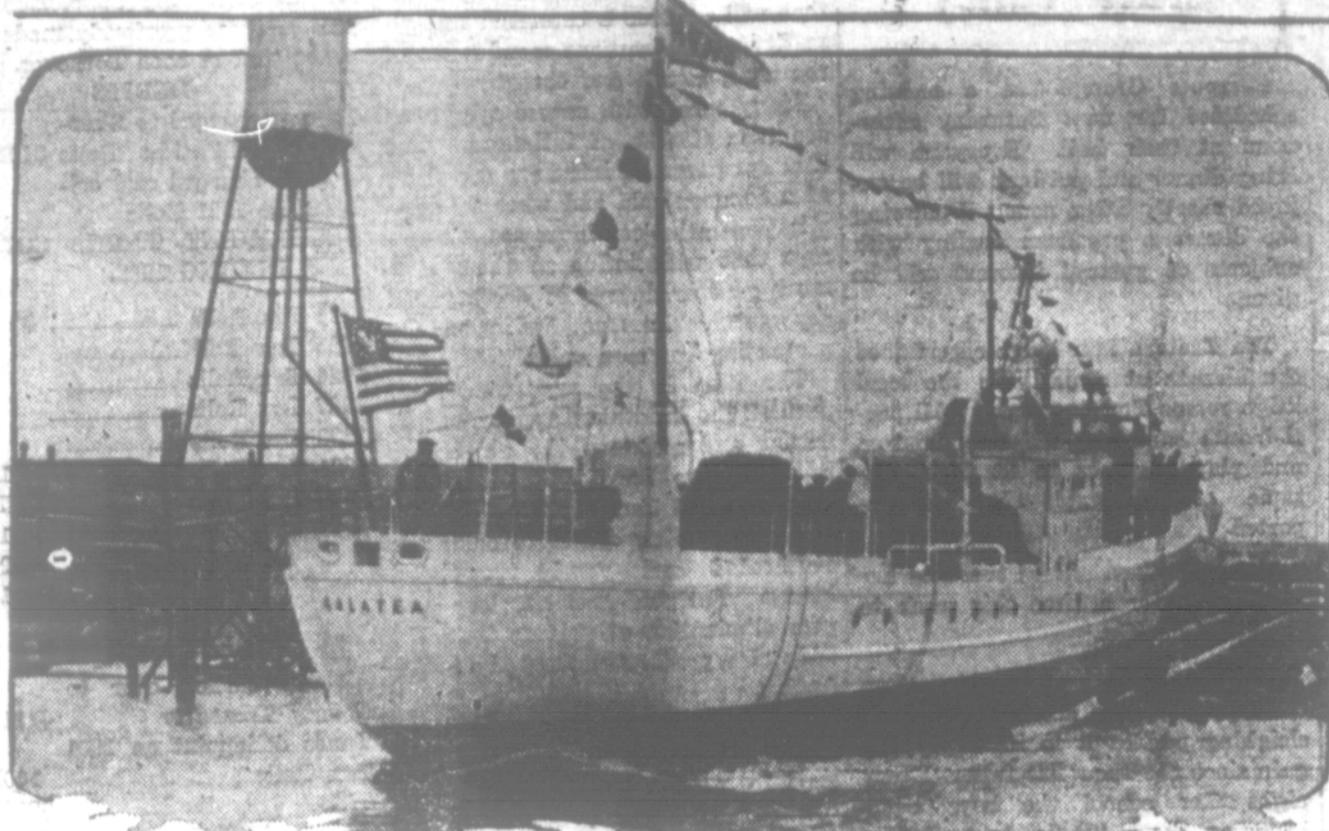
"Fifty-six millions were collected annually in Oregon on real property, of which \$3,000,000, odd represented local taxes levied by the state's 2752 local tax-raising bodies. In addition, the state had a net bonded and warrant indebtedness of around \$165,000,000—the second greatest per capita indebtedness in the United States."

In the past 13 years the state has paid \$25,000,000 in interest, and \$27,000,000 of interest will be paid before outstanding bonds mature, said the message, and of the \$30,000,000 earnings collected on real property, 80 per cent went for property taxes.

"There is scarcely a piece of farm land in Oregon today which can be leased for a rental equivalent to the taxes against the land. There is scarcely a home in our cities and towns that can be leased for a rental equivalent to the taxes and cost of fire insurance," he said.

Both houses adjourned Thursday night until Monday, January 16, to allow members to attend the funeral of Congressman Butler.

Coast Guard Craft of Latest Type Is Launched



The U. S. S. Galatea, Uncle Sam's latest type coast guard craft, designed for capturing rum runners, as she was launched at the Mathis shipbuilding yard at Camden, N. J. The boat is 105 feet long and powered by two Diesel engines. It will be manned by a crew of 38 men and 4 officers. Six more are to be constructed.

SCHOOL BUDGETS (Continued from page one)

ting pupils the cost of teaching in Sherman county is almost exactly fifty percent of the total. The remainder goes for operation of plant, maintenance, debts and other costs. Of course the teaching is only dividend received from school expenditures. All other costs not necessary to instruction are a drain. Many of the other costs, however, are of great use to the teaching as for instance, library books, equipment of a scientific nature and other school furnishings that will immediately suggest themselves.

There will be little argument with the contention that busses are advisable if they reduce expenses or lead to better school facilities, but if they merely cause district money to be paid to drivers instead of teachers they will not be a lasting innovation.

STATION BULLETIN (Continued from page one)

this county to make one summerfallowing. Deep plowing produces 7 bushels per acre more than shallow plowing and at the present price that is less than twenty cents. Everyone knows it is impossible to plow an extra five inches deep and work the ground down again for twenty cents. Deep plowing is ten inch plowing and shallow is five inch.

The business man subscribes for the journals of his trade to learn the best and most modern methods of selling and displaying his goods; the manufacturer hires experts to show him better, more efficient ways of making his products. All this costs the business man and the manufacturer no small sum. The farmer has it prepared for him by the state or the government and no manufacturer ever received more definite information about his business than is contained in this bulletin.

Certainly it would pay every farmer interested in the growing of wheat to spend some of his winter hours reading this bulletin. It can be obtained for a time from D. E. Stephens at the experiment station and is for sale by the superintendent of documents at Washington, D. C. for ten cents per copy.

Possibly

Sometimes we suspect the award of championships is a bad thing. The greatness of the game of draw poker is due in considerable measure, we think, to the fact that no annual championship is determined.—Kansas City Star.

Wasco

The Thursday afternoon bridge club met with Mrs. Tilbert Barnett. The Wasco Study Club wish to thank the Camp Fire girls and the public for the cooperation in buying the Christmas Seals.

The officers of the K. P. lodge of The Dalles had joint installation with the local lodge Monday night with John McClure Deputy Grand Chancellor as installing officer. After lodge a chili bean supper was enjoyed by about forty persons.

Last Wednesday night the Rebekah lodge installed officers with Fern Wilde District Deputy present as installing officer. The following were installed: Gertrude Mee, P. N. G.; Jessie Amos, N. G.; Lena Brock, Sec.;

June Spencer, Treas.; Mabel McPherson, Chaplain; Fern Wilde, Warden; Chas. Sisco, I. G.; Zelma Watkins, musician; Minnie Dutton, R. S. I. G.; and Sara Garland, L. S. I. G.

The Tillicum bridge club met with Mrs. Robert Manning last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Manning and son were dinner guests with Mr. and Mrs. Sargent last Sunday.

The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs will give a benefit party at the lodge hall January 25. Admission will be ten cents and every one invited to come.

Dr. Richelderfer who was on the sick list the last of the week is able to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Spencer accompanied Cliff Fridley to The Dalles Friday and Mr. Spencer went to see a physician.

The Wasco Study Club met last Friday at the home of Mrs. R. H. McKean. A paper on Indians of the Northwest was given by Mrs. G. O. Scott and a book review on the "Bridge of the Gods" was given by Mrs. L. P. Haven.

Mrs. Leo Watkins invited several children to her home last Wednesday the occasion being Gene's birthday. The little guests were Barbara and Joe Hines, Darlene McCafferty, Ruth Maxine Spencer and John Robert and Jean McClure. Mrs. McClure assisted Mrs. Watkins.

Mrs. Leo Watkins and Mrs. Lena Brock entertained the P. N. G. club and their husbands Tuesday night at the Mrs. Watkins home. There were five tables of 500 and Mrs. John McClure made high score for the ladies and George Wilde for the men.

Lester Wright and Leo Watkins

went to Portland last Thursday and returned on Saturday.

Mrs. Vernon Van Gilder and Miss Olive Robison entertained at bridge Friday night at Miss Robison's home. Mrs. John Royce and James Maddox made high scores.

The A. C. Kaseberg family were guests at the Herbert Koot home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Grady and family entertained the B. A. Grady family of The Dalles last Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Ormand Hilderbrand entertained the members of the Junior bridge club and guests at her home Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Bernis Guy made high score for the club and Mrs. M. G. Tuel guest prize.

Among those attending the funeral of the late Robert Butler from Wasco were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Walker, Afton McIntyre, W. E. Tase, Ed McKee, George Potter, Mrs. Hailey Mrs. Tuel, Mr. and Mrs. John McDermid, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Grady, Mrs. Eliza Dingle, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Reid and Mrs. Ida Everett.

Saturday night the Klondike Community Club had a house warming at the home of Mr. and Ormand Hilderbrand. Pot luck dinner and cards and games helped to while away the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McCafferty spent the week end in the Willamette Valley.

Mrs. Joe Hilderbrand entertained two tables at bridge Saturday night and Mr. and Mrs. Tilgert Barnett made high score for the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Barzee accompanied Mr. Barzee's mother and sister to their home at Gresham the last of the week.

Afton McIntyre and family spent Sunday visiting in The Dalles.

C. W. Wright chief grain inspector and Mr. Landis of the Federal grain department were in Sherman county last week looking over the wheat situation and called at the Sherman Cooperative.

Mrs. Eliza Dingle entertained the Tuesday Study Club this week.

Hildred Zell took a truck load of hogs to Portland Sunday to place them on the Monday market.

The Knights of Pythias lodge of The Dalles came to Wasco Monday night and put on their installation for the local lodge.

The Pythian Sisters will have their installation January 28, and urges all members to be present.

Walter Medler attended to business affairs at The Dalles Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gore of Outlook, Wash., visited friends in Wasco last Wednesday and Thursday.

George Flagg of The Dalles, was in Wasco from The Dalles Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Johnson and Augusta Huckin were Dalles visitors Wednesday. The Johnsons visited Junior who is in the hospital.

The W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Fuller last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Watkins and family had dinner at the Sargent home last Thursday.

Harold Sanford of the Farmers National was a visitor at the Sherman Cooperative last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Watkins, Harry and Henry Richelderfer were dinner guests at the Robert Evans home last Wednesday the occasion being the birthday of Eugene Gosson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McKean and small daughter of More were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Belshee.

Grandma Everett who has been ill the last two weeks is improving although not able to be out yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hennagin and Mr. and Mrs. Paul McCulloch were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Morton last Saturday.

rs. Ed Thomas of Klondike is quite ill at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lamborn are now living on the place known as the

Grandma Lamborn place near the highway.

Homer Wall, H. D. Proudfoot, Glen King and Willy Kaighen of More went to Antelope last week to attend the Masonic lodge.

The Everfaithful class of the Christian church met at the home of Mrs. Amos Saturday. A program was given and refreshments served by Mrs. O'Mears, Mrs. Funk and Mrs. Amos.

Mr. and Mrs. John McDermid and Douglas McDermid were dinner guests of Mrs. Eliza Dingle the last of the week.

Mrs. Augusta Huckin entertained 3 tables of Contract bridge last Wednesday. Mrs. Frank Lamborn won club prize and Mrs. Art Smith guest prize. Mrs. Guy Found and Mrs. G. A. Taylor of The Dalles were out of town guests.

Mrs. Bob McPherson who has been quite sick is reported as improving.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Young of Dufur were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Boyce last Sunday.

Mrs. Vivian Ross is reported quite sick at her home.

Mrs. E. A. Medler has been in the Dalles assisting with the care of her grand daughter who has been quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson returned the week from the valley where they have spent some time visiting friends and relatives.

Word has been received from Mrs. Walter Warner that Mr. Warner is doing very nicely following an operation for appendicitis in Salem last Thursday.

The American Legion Auxiliary met last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Ormand Hilderbrand. National Defence was the topic discussed. Mrs. E. L. Morton sang two solos.

S. S. George of the State Department of the American Legion visited friends in Wasco last Saturday week enroute to More.

Roy Phillipi of Bialock was a Wasco visitor the first of the week.

Mrs. Harley Dutton and son of Fossil visited relatives here last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ruting returned to Standfield after visiting their daughter Mrs. Jack Sheets.

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" " Fancy Grape Fruit, 2s	2 for 29c
Blue & White Broken Grape Fruit, 2s	2 for 25c
Red & White Fancy Fresh Prunes, 2 1-2s	2 for 25c
" " Asparagus Tips, 2s	23c
" " Sifted Sweet Peas, 2s	2 for 33c
Blue & White Tomatoes with Puree, 2 1-2s	3 for 29c
Red & White Tomato Soup	2 for 15c
Blue & White Oval Sardines in mustard or Tomato Sauce	2 for 19c
Red & White Baking Powder, 1-lb tins	23c
" " Wheat Cereal	17c
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Laymore Egg Mash	100 lb sack	\$2.00
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