

OREGON STATE LEGISLATIVE NEWS

Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers

Highlights of Monday's session in Oregon Legislature:

Measures to place revenue of several self-sustaining departments in general fund proposed.

Bills legalizing beer, regulating distribution, yielding revenue appropriation.

Special message on reduction of motor license fees.

Senate approved legislation authorizing new road construction and highway bonds.

Classification of state income provided in senate bill.

Veterans' Aid Act Proposed

The senate Monday passed Representative Clark's bill regarding a veterans' vocational aid act, which has been in operation in Oregon for more than 15 years.

Senator Dunn of Jackson introduced a bill authorizing the transfer of \$50,000 from the Jackson county Pacific highway bond redemption fund to the general fund for unemployment relief. Dunn declared that the expenditure of this money in relief operations would aid materially in eliminating distress in Jackson county.

Fifth Message From Governor

Directing attention to the demand for lower motor license fees and the regulation of motor trucks, Governor Meier sent his fifth special message to the legislature Monday.

Highlights of the message are as follows:

Financial and industrial conditions demand a material reduction in Oregon's motor vehicle license fees.

In conjunction with whatever decision you may finally reach in the matter, consideration must be given to five major factors entering into the highway situation:

First—Outstanding state highway bonds and the conditions under which they were issued.

Second—The one-third share of the license fees paid to the counties.

Third—The annual allotment of moneys from the state highway fund for secondary highways.

Fourth—Proper maintenance and betterment of the state highway system.

Fifth—Federal aid and co-operative funds provided in connection therewith by the highway commission.

The present state highway bonded debt totals approximately \$27,516,750. If no further bonds are issued, the last bond will be retired in 1956.

Debt Retirement Mandatory.

With reference to the bonded debt, you have, of course, no discretion. Its retirement must go forward in a businesslike and legal manner, without recourse to the general property tax.

With respect to the second item, namely, the one-third of the license fees allocated to the counties, it must be borne in mind that many counties have issued road bonds to be retired with funds received from this source. Other counties depend on this fund for county road purposes.

The annual allotment from the state highway fund for secondary highways was provided for by the 1931 legislature in lieu of the one-mill tax levy therefore made for this class of highways.

Since 1926 Oregon has received federal aid of more than \$11,000,000. During the years 1931-33 the state also received federal emergency unemployment relief funds aggregating more than \$3,000,000. If federal aid is to be continued, Oregon must provide co-operative funds.

In your deliberations as to the extent motor vehicle license fees shall be reduced your objective, in my opinion, should be to provide sufficient revenue to meet the fixed expenses of the highway department and to maintain and preserve the highways already constructed at great cost to the state and counties.

In conjunction with your study of the highway situation you will naturally have to give consideration to the motor transportation problem, both freight and passenger, which is in an unsettled condition and demands legislation.

The underlying cause of this situation is attributable to the unregulated operator.

The present motor transportation act is weak and deficient in many respects and must either be extensively amended or a new law enacted.

Beer Bill Submitted

Legalization of beer and control of its manufacture and distribution is the subject of John J. Beckman's bill.

Another bill to regulate trucks appeared Monday with the name of Representative Delch on the jacket.

The first concrete step to combat the unemployment situation was taken in the legislature Tuesday when a bill providing machinery for dealing with the problem was introduced by Allan A. Bynon, Multnomah senator.

To relieve the people of the state from hardships and suffering caused by unemployment," reads the title.

Only four members of the senate opposed a bill introduced by Senator Dunn providing against the issuance of any additional highway bonds other than those required for refunding.

New Medical Bill

Renamed the "Medical Fundamentals" bill and somewhat changed, the former "Basic Science" measure has appeared under the sponsorship of F. H. Dammasch, Multnomah. The bill requires knowledge of five sciences as qualifications for healing, these five being human anatomy, psychology, human pathology, chemistry and hygiene. The measure would not become effective until 1934 and specifically exempts Christian Science healers. Chiropractors, osteopaths, naturopaths and physicians are affected.

Fishing Committee Named

A committee composed of two members of the senate and three members of the house will be appointed this week to confer with a similar committee of the Washington legislature in connection with proposed laws and amendments affecting fishing operations on the Columbia river. The conference will be held either in Portland or Olympia, Wash.

Sixth Message from Governor

Although public development of hydroelectric power has been halted by the economic depression, it continues to be a major issue with the Columbia river—the greatest power resource in America—as the chief objective.

Recently President-elect Roosevelt has also been quoted as being favorable to the development of the Columbia river as the next major federal power project.

The character of the river, together with the nature of the development and the magnitude of the financial undertaking, this power resource should be developed by the government for the benefit of the people of the great Pacific northwest.

Project Vital to Future

Its development is now vital to the future industrial expansion and prosperity of the whole Pacific northwest empire. Water power is the magic key to industry and with cheap power developed on the Columbia, Oregon's future greatness and prosperity would be assured.

Consequently it is recommended that this legislature memorialize congress urging the immediate development of the Columbia river, particularly impressing upon that body that Oregon and its municipalities stand ready to enter into contracts for the purchase of power, once a feasible project is authorized.

It is further recommended that you urge the legislators of Washington and Idaho to adopt similar memorials.

It is further recommended that you give consideration to the advisability of the appointment of an interim committee to co-operate with similar committees from Idaho and Washington

In the Columbia river there is enormous potential cheap power to grind all the grain, spin all the wool, turn the wheels of all the industries, tunnel all the mines, electrify the transportation systems, reclaim hundreds of thousands of acres of land and provide heat and light for all the communities and cities in the Columbia basin.

All of this power is now rolling in waste to the sea. Let us do everything within our power to speed the early development of the Columbia and industrialize Oregon and the Pacific northwest.

23 Revenue Bills Up

Twenty-two bills intended to produce more revenue for the state, were introduced in the house of representatives Tuesday. The ways and means committee sponsored 12, the remaining ten coming from the committee on insurance. The latter measures are the recommendations of the insurance department.

To aid home industry, the house adopted a memorial that state institutions purchase American made goods.

A bill levying a tax of 4 cents a pound on oleomargarine, and another bill regulating testing of milk came from the committee on food and dairy products.

Wednesday's highlights of legislation:

Quarterly payment of taxes proposed.

Grange power bill introduced.

Board of arbitration proposed in disputes with industrial accident commission.

New game code appears.

Fee of \$5 for motor license proposed.

Recall amendment held up.

The "grange power bill," as distinguished from the "Lewis power bill" made its appearance in the senate Wednesday, sponsored by Senators Brown, Wheeler, Burke, Hazlett and Zimmerman, and Representatives Oleen and Hilton.

Highlights of Friday in Oregon legislature:

House receives 46 new bills and adjourns to Monday.

Unemployment relief legislation blocked until Monday.

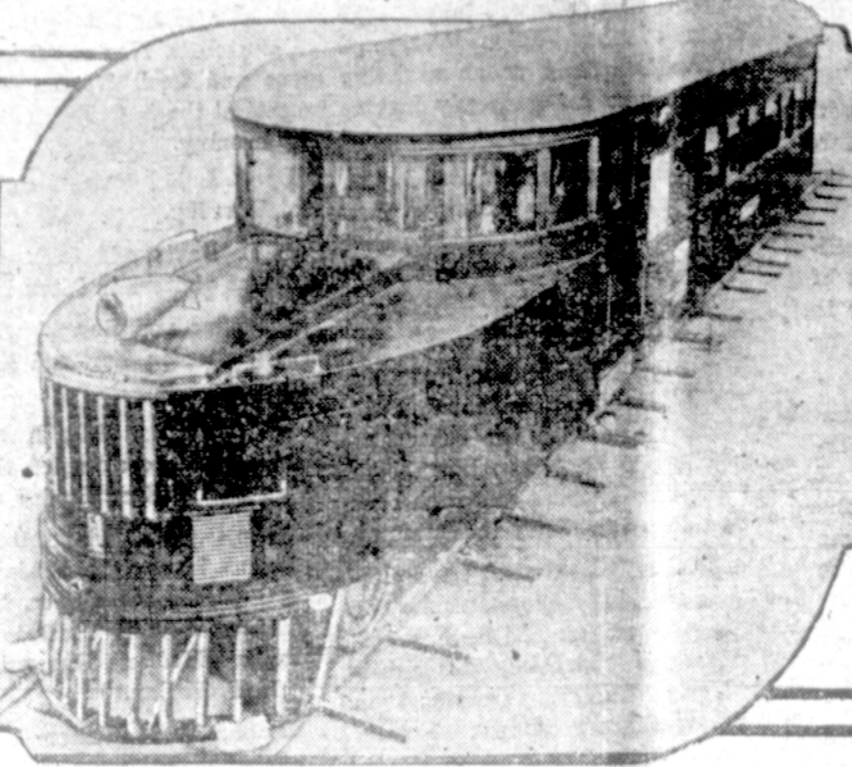
Arrangement made for public hearing on beer.

Bill gives governor power to pardon life-term prisoners.

A new game code, sponsored by the game commission and introduced by Representative Wyers of Hood River found its way to the house Wednesday. It revises the entire code, passed at the 1931 session.

Paving the way for request of the Reconstruction Finance corporation for loans to carry on relief work in the state, the joint senate and house unemployment committee Wednesday introduced in the house a bill setting up the machinery for operation of the fund in the next two years.

Something New for Transportation



This "Autotram," a challenge to the railroads, appeared in Battle Creek, Mich. Seating 42 passengers and capable of operating on fast schedules over the standard roadbeds, it embodies new and radical changes in the design for rail equipment. The car is of aluminum, torpedo shaped and about 60 feet long. It is powered with a 16 cylinder gasoline engine.

Hal Hoss Still Favors \$3.00 License Payment

In a communication to the automobile committee of the state legislature issued this week, Hal E. Hoss, secretary of state, repeated his proposal for a \$3.00 automobile license fee and backed his request with an extensive file of correspondence reflecting the attitude of motorists all over the state.

Secretary Hoss also told members of the committee that his proposal did not include any interference with the present plan of refunding taxes. "I am convinced," said Mr. Hoss, "that the farmers and the loggers and the fishermen who do not use the highways with their equipment, are entitled to a refund on the gasoline tax they have paid, and there is no intention as far as I know of attempting to deprive them of this refund."

COUNTY COURT

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The pay roll of Homer S. Wall, county engineer, was checked and passed upon and the sums paid were ordered published in the Sherman County Journal this month. This publication is a move toward general information of the tax payers that the court has instituted this year in the belief that public business should be made readily available to all interested persons.

WASCO HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

By Mary Jeannette Sargent

Monday morning an assembly was called and announcements were made concerning the work of the second semester. The activity calendar for the second semester is not completely made up and will be published later. Each class of the entire school will be called upon to prepare a program for an assembly the second semester.

The honor roll for the entire first semester was published this week. Students are placed upon it at the close of the semester for their entire semester's work. Augusta Huckin was the highest ranking student and Mignon Wall second, each carrying five subjects and receiving all grades of 1. Girls predominate the list and Arthur Spencer is the highest ranking boy student in the school. The list follows: Mary Jeannette Sargent, Winifred Fortner, Robert Ferrell, Geraldine Funk, Harry Proudfoot, Ted Poudfoot, Irene Beardsley, Evelyn Olsen, and Eugene Spencer. Honorable mention was given to Margaret Johnson, Kathryn Johnson, and Margaret Moon who had excellent grades but not sufficient quality to be placed upon the honor roll.

In-perusing the grades a wise student might profit from the following data gleaned from a bulletin. There were thirteen subject failures in high school last semester. Mr. Manning has some seventy students in his science and math classes each day. Miss Profit has sixty eight students in her English classes. Miss McCulloch has approximately forty in his classes daily. Miss Profit gave six failing grades. Mr. McCulloch four failing grades and Mr. Manning three failing grades.

At a meeting of the student executive council Monday it was de-

back to school again after a painful injury to her ankle. She will be on crutches for two or three weeks.

John Johnson has returned to school but is rather weak yet he attends classes a part of each day.

A large crowd attended the Rufus-Wasco game last Friday evening and the gate receipts were quite gratifying. Ted Walker officiated both times.

The boys basketball squad had a doughnut and chocolate feed recently in the D. S. room. The principal and Melvin Walsh seemed to be the instigators of the plot.

Wasco

The members of the Contract bridge club had a pot luck dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Lamborn Wednesday night. There was four tables and Mrs. Augusta Huskin held high score for the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Bernis Guy and Mrs. Estrelle Hailey were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Scott went to Portland Wednesday on business. They were accompanied by Mrs. Jack Sheets.

The Pythian Sisters held installation of officers for the ensuing year Thursday night with Margaret Kaseberg assisted by Mary Andrews and Emma Shearer as installing officers. Those installed were: M. E. C. Florence Walsh; E. S. Olive Robison; E. J. Bee McKee; Manager, Inga McClure; M. of R. C., June Spencer; M. of P. Francis Guy; Protector, Marcella Hilderbrand; O. G. Nellie Fields. During the social hour refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Morrow and family of Colorado are expected to arrive in Wasco the last of the week for a visit with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morrow.

There has been no services at the M. E. church during January except Sunday school, due to the illness of Rev. Mr. Warner. Rev. Yarns conducted services Sunday morning at the church hour. It is to be hoped Mr. Warner will soon be able to again take charge.

Word was received the last of the week of the death of Mrs. John Dingle of Couer de Lane Idaho. She will be remembered in Wasco by the older residents.

Hugh Walker attended to business affairs in Portland last week.

Mrs. Bullfinch of Weston spent last week end at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hugh Walker.

Mrs. Louis Walsh entertained the Junior bridge club Saturday at the home of Mrs. F. S. Lamborn.

The W. C. T. U. met last Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Hicks. A special program will be given on February 22nd, at the home of Mrs. Leo Watkins.

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church will give a Valentine Tea at the home

of Mrs. Leo Watkins February 15th. The public is invited to come and enjoy the program.

The Everfaithful class of the Christian church will have their class party at Mrs. Roy Atwood's Saturday.

Last Wednesday night the Rebekahs installed the following officers: V. G. Grace Medler; O. G. Sam Brock; Conductor, Roy Belshee; R. S. V. G. Marion Medler; L. S. V. G. Claudina Banta; Fern Wilde acted as installing officer. After the business 500 was played at 8 tables with high scores going to Mrs. Truman Strong and Mr. Amidon both of Moro.

Word has been received of the illness of Mrs. Bell Clothier. She was operated on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Warner are expected home a week from Sunday according to word received.

Rev. Yarns was a dinner guest at the Sargent home Sunday.

R. O. Scott is redecorating the interior of the McCafferty home.

The American Auxiliary will meet next Wednesday at the home of Mrs. W. H. Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. John McDermid entertained 4 tables of guests at their home Saturday night. High scores were made by Joe Hilderbrand, John McClure and R. O. Scott.

Mrs. Dick Schunke entertained last Saturday night the occasion being her husband's birthday. Bridge was played and high score made by Miss Effie Andrews and Harold White.

Mrs. Estrelle Hailey spent last week end in The Dalles with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Smith had as their guests the past two weeks Gil-

mer Goshorn of Portland.

Mrs. Roland Troy of The Dalles visited at the home of her mother Mrs. Roy Belshee last week.

Miss Ruth Wilson of The Dalles is visiting her father at Wasco this week.

Dick Schunke was a business visitor in Portland last week. Mrs. Schunke went as far as The Dalles and visited relatives during his absence.

Mrs. Roy Morehouse returned from a several days visit at The Dalles with her daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Trevor Cottrell and W. H. Meyers of Redmond spent last week end in Wasco.

Mr. and Mrs. Free Crews and son and Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Andrews were last Sunday dinner guests at the Fields home.

W. S. Deaton of Klondike has been quite ill at his home due to a spider bite.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Haven had as their dinner-guests last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Hilderbrand and two sons John and Gordon.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul McCulloch were visitors at The Dalles Saturday.

The Pythian Sisters will give a benefit card party at the lodge hall February 9th.

Mrs. Paul McCulloch entertained the basketball girls Friday evening after the game.

The Junior bridge club met at the home of Mrs. F. S. Lamborn Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Louis Walsh as hostess. There was 5 tables of bridge and high score for the club was made by Mrs. Paul McCulloch and for the guests by Mrs. Vinton Watkins.

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