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MAY PASS BILL

For Relief of Oregon Shippers From Oppression of the Railroad Legislature Liable to Run A-Muck

(Special to the Coast Mail.)

Salem, Dec. 23—The Republican caucus Monday afternoon and evening was full of surprises, but the greatest of all was an almost unanimous decision to take up railroad legislation.

Leading members of both Houses fought for consideration of any bill that would give relief to shippers. Brownell, president of the senate, surprised all advising the passage of a bill to give shippers relief, if they had to stay a month. Members opposed to represent other interests fought for a speedy adjournment of the legislature after consideration of nothing but a tax amendment.

The caucus divided on reconsidering the subject of speedy adjournment by a vote of 25 to 25, the chair, Senator Kuykendall, deciding in favor of adjournment Wednesday noon. Out of sixty-nine Republicans, eighteen were not present at the caucus. Many of these have measures they wish considered, so the caucus is not conclusive.

Representative Hume and Senator Booth, who are absent, both advocate railroad legislation at this session. Eddy of Tillamook, and Kay, of Marion, made the hardest fight for adjournment.

The McBride bill has been introduced in the Senate by one senator who lost thousands of dollars on account of the car shortage in the past few weeks.

Governor Chamberlain was shown a statement of some of the shippers, which says there ought to be a bill passed to remedy the car shortage and to protect shippers against unjust raise in freight rates. All Democratic members stand for the bill.

The Republican caucus is hearing the facts, deliberately resolved to take up a bill to remedy the car shortage and to protect the shipper's interests of Oregon against the raise in freight rates that goes into effect January 1st.

The Republican caucus convened at noon today and immediately after meeting adjourned until noon tomorrow. Enough members voted for adjournment until tomorrow night have changed their minds by reconsidering that vote, but this can not be done until tomorrow in order to resolve the business of the two houses along. It is now thought the legislature will take a recess tomorrow night until after Xmas and then remain in session all next week.

The Chertoff bills of North Bend and Marshfield passed both houses.

Coming on Alliance

(Special to the Coast Mail.)

Portland, Dec. 22—The following passengers sailed on the Alliance tonight, G Richards, Bessie Winters, R H Irwin, G M Nelson, Mrs W B Farrin, Fred Fischer, Master Fischer, Mrs Fischer, Lilly Fischer, Mrs Greenow, C H Stevens, James Merchant, Othmar Mieller, E. Mell, J A Rasmussen, J J Rasmussen, Geo Martin, Van Thomas, Ed Avere, John Avere, Carl Withermi, Ole J Weiston, T O Weiston, Jessie Fischer, Margarita Fischer Co. twenty people.

COOS BAY WAGON ROAD

Substantial Improvements Going Forward as Fast as Possible

From Thursday's Daily.

W. C. Mueick, who just returned from a trip to Fairview, reports that the mile of road already improved by the county, west of Fairview, is the best plank road he ever saw. This piece of road lies from the Steinon place this way. Work is now commencing, to plank from the Steinon place east to Barker's lane. The county court is also looking for teams to haul gravel upon the road, that put in as an experiment some time ago having turned out well.

Mail Contractor Bangs now proposes to expend \$500 in improving the road between Fairview and Middle creek, with roadway etc. This is in addition to the \$1000 which Mr. Bangs has already given and indicates that gentleman to be the right sort of man to bring the old Coos Bay wagon road to the front.

The Fairview people are much pleased at the work going on, which will give them an outlet to the bay their best trading point. With the excellent service given by Captain Harris, on Catching slough, much trade will come to Marshfield, when the road is sufficiently improved, which now goes elsewhere.

With the development of the logging industry on the north fork of the Coquille, and the increasing prosperity of the farmers in that section, this trade is well worth looking after.

Valuable Lesson

(Enterprise)

The Myrtle Point people who subscribed various sums of money for a write up in the Gateway Magazine published at Grand Forks, N. D., got gloriously souped. Instead of giving the county the proper writup the larger amount of space is taken up with a description of the country from the Dakotas to the Pacific. Only four or five inches is given to the dairy business and only one creamery is mentioned—an injustice to the dairying business of the county. And when it comes to the mineral resources it is a corker. Instead of making mention of the large mines in the Sixes and Johnson Creek country, it mentions only one—a placer mine on Elk river. It only mentions a very few of the business houses of the town and overlooks most of the important industries. Had the representative of the magazine who visited this place taken the trouble he could have at least gotten a little reliable information. The whole write-up is rotten and the business men who didn't bite may consider them selves lucky. As for ourselves we'll learn after while.

OTHER BILLS PASSED

Oregon Legislature Branching Out Celilo Bill Passes House

(Special to the Coast Mail.)

Salem, Dec. 23—The House in Committee of the Whole considered Substitute House Bill No. 21 appropriating \$100,000 for Celilo canal right of way. The bill was agreed to and reported to the House. It was at once placed upon its final passage and passed by a vote of 43 ayes to 14 nays. Two absent.

Friends of the measure are jubilant over the result and predict an easy victory in the Senate.

The Republican caucus convened at noon and without doing anything adjourned. The indication now is that without caucus the legislature will this evening reconsider the vote by which it was agreed to adjourn tonight, and simply take a rest until Monday, when work will be continued.

Bailey's and Kay's flat salary bills were taken from the committee and placed on the calendar for final passage. The railroad car shortage bill is reported back by committee, changing the penalty from \$25 to \$10 per car and making it effective in 30 days after approval by the governor.

Jones bill in the House is aimed to cure the car shortage evil from which Oregon has suffered incalculable injury the past season. The bill is modeled after the Texas act, and imposes a severe penalty for failure to furnish cars within a reasonable time.

The policy of the great corporations is to delay action and have the legislature adjourn without giving shippers a hearing.

The Ways and Means committee reported against the adoption of the bill appropriating \$40,000 for payment of Indian war veterans' claims. The report was adopted.

Representative Hutchinson of Multnomah last evening introduced the most drastic measure to prohibit gambling in this state ever placed before the Oregon legislature. The Bill is an exact copy of the Washington law which effectually stopped gambling in that state.

The Senate returned the Kays tax law bill with a minor amendment changing the wording of the title, and the amendment was concurred in. The same course was taken with the Edwards bill, restoring the old law of \$300 exemption from taxation.

MATRON AND MAID.

Mrs. Patti has bequeathed her larynx (when she shall have done with it) to the museum of the Royal College of Surgeons.

Mrs. Fanny Workman, daughter of former Governor A. D. Bullock of Massachusetts, is known as the world's greatest mountain climber and explorer.

For the Duchess of Westminster a London jeweler has produced a costly ornament in diamonds. It may be used as a necklace, a hair ornament or a corsage decoration. It is a flexible ribbon of diamonds and cost \$100,000.

Miss Anne W. Carpenter of Providence, R. I., has recently been added to the staff of instructors of Wheaton seminary. Miss Carpenter is a graduate of Brown university, where she has also taken her master's degree in English.

Mme. Loubet in her reception to Queen Helena is said by M. A. P. to have displayed the most admirable sang froid, dignity and tact. She was exceedingly skillful in introducing the wives of the ministers and other ladies to her royal guest.

The oldest woman college graduate in Massachusetts, if not in New England, is believed to be Dr. Sophronia Fletcher of Cambridge, who recently celebrated her ninety-fifth birthday. For thirty years she was the attending physician of Mrs. Wendell Phillips.

The youngest officeholder in the city of Marlboro, Mass., is a woman, Miss Genevieve Priest, who holds the position of water registrar. At an examination held recently for the position Miss Priest stood first among the fifteen candidates who took the examination.

Mrs. Zelida Forsee of St. Louis has in addition to selling a site for the erection of an auditorium in St. Joseph, Mo., at one-half the value of the real estate presented the St. Joseph Auditorium company with \$10,000 in cash. Mrs. Forsee was a former resident of St. Joseph.

To Live. To live the surgeon and the critic must draw blood.—Life.

Living and Learning. A man is never too old to learn, but sometimes he is too young to realize it.—Philadelphia Record.

Inevitable Inference. "You see, it's an exceptional case." "Ah! Then it's your case, of course."—Chicago Post.

CLEVELAND FAMILY'S CHRISTMAS

(Special to the Coast Mail.)

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 23—Surrounded by their five children—one more than at the Christmas celebration a year ago—ex-President and Mrs. Cleveland will pass a jolly Christmas tomorrow in their home on Bayard Lane. The holiday will be observed simply, attention being given chiefly to making merry with the children. A big Christmas tree stands in the library and packages have been delivered thick and fast containing presents for the little ones.

How to Launder Small Articles. On wash day, when the winds are high or there is a decided frost in the air, it is best never to hang such dainty, delicate things as handkerchiefs, collars and cuffs upon the line. Not only is the fine fabric of these articles likely to be whipped into shreds by the wind, but there is a danger of their being blown away and altogether lost. On these windy, freezing days a safe method is to place such small articles as collars, cuffs and handkerchiefs in a pillowcase and then hang this upon the line. The small articles in it freeze dry and are a splendid color when ready for ironing.

WHITE HOUSE X MAS

How President and Family Will Observe the Holiday

(Special to the Coast Mail.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24—Christmas will be observed tomorrow in good old style at the White House. Preparations for the event have been in progress for over a week, and everyone, from the President himself down to little Quintin, has had something or other to do with the different features of the arrangements.

Express wagons, mail carriers, and messengers bore numerous packages to the Executive Mansion today—presents to the Roosevelt family from friends and admirers throughout the country. Of course it goes without saying that the children will be up with the birds to ascertain what Santa Claus has left in their stockings. Later they will assemble in the library to receive their more important gifts from the President and Mrs. Roosevelt. Following the custom of last year it has been decided to have no Christmas tree at the White House, but in the afternoon the Roosevelt children will go to the home of their uncle and aunt, Capt. and Mrs. Cowler, to see a

pretty Christmas tree and receive other presents.

Christmas dinner will be served in the evening. The principal feature will be the huge gobbler selected from the hundred or more turkeys received as presents at the White House yesterday and today. The remainder of the turkeys were distributed this afternoon with the compliments of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt among the servants and attaches of the Executive Mansion.

CHRISTMAS CHEER FOR JACKIES

(Special to the Coast Mail.)

Washington, Dec. 24—Though far from home the bluejackets and marines on duty in Isthmian waters are to have plenty of Christmas cheer, thanks to the foresight and thoughtfulness of Uncle Sam.

According to a dispatch received at the Navy Department the supply ship Calgao has arrived safely at Colon with a big cargo of supplies for the warships on the Eastern and Western sides of the Isthmus. The Calgao's cargo includes 300,000 pounds of dressed beef, 50,000 pounds of mutton, and 10,000 pounds of turkey. There is also on board a great quantity of plum pudding. The turkey and plum pudding will be dished out in liberal quantities tomorrow when the jackies sit down to their Christmas dinner.



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NEW LINES, EXTENSIVE VARIETIES, CHOICE VALUES.
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