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ADJOURNMENT OF THE LEGISLATURE

Partial Summary of the Work by Gov. Pierce, Elbert Bede and Others

Probably very few readers of The News have anything better than a very confused notion of what has been done by the Oregon legislature this winter. The general impression, no doubt, is that a flood of bills introduced, more than the usual amount of experiments in legislation, a great deal of pulling and hauling between the two houses, a great deal of tearing up of each other's work, and great uncertainty to the last as to the fate of many measures in which great interest was taken.

The actual condition and the impression in the minds of the people was no doubt more confused by the character of the political campaign last summer and such incidents as the hot and prolonged contest, before the session, over the presidency of the senate.

The News is not able to enlighten its readers very much, but the following notes and comments, from the chief official figure in the state's affairs and from an acute and qualified observer, will no doubt prove interesting, and perhaps, to some extent helpful.

The legislature actually adjourned about 3 o'clock Friday morning, the 23rd; though, by the old legislative trick of turning back the clock, it appeared to be about 10 o'clock Thursday evening. The last hours of the session in the house were a scene of great confusion and uproar, many members trying to get through measures in which they were interested, and the resulting jam blocking business.

These quotations from observations of Gov. Pierce on the day following the adjournment will be interesting and instructive:

"The boys were pretty good," was the way Governor Pierce summed up the recent legislative session today. "I made a mistake," observed the governor, "when I talked too freely with the boys. I shouldn't have told in advance what I intended doing with the bills. I will not commit that error two years from now."

"What I am trying to do," continued the executive, "is to reach out and get tax money by indirect sources. I made a good start this time, but the boys could have helped me more. I wanted the moving picture bill passed. I estimated that it would raise \$100,000 a year. The boys killed that and they killed my bill—introduced by Mott—directed at corporations, which would have increased their fees so that the state would get about \$150,000 more a year from this source. I wanted a severance tax on timber, from land not now on the tax roll. I fear that the failure of the legislature to act in this matter will result in the coming of a severance tax which will apply to all our natural resources."

"I did want centralized assessing authority, but the bill was killed in the house. It was a splendid bill, with a splendid idea and would have helped a lot."

"We got an income tax which I figure will yield \$1,500,000 a year, and the insurance bill will bring in \$200,000 year more from this source. "One of the good bills is the commission of finance control. I'll have to look around for men for that commission and right now I don't know whom I will appoint or can get to accept."

"Then there is that bill for tax conservation and supervisory commissions in every county. I'll search the state to get the right men for those commissions. It will take a lot of work, but I'll do it somehow."

The executive's request for an increase in the gasoline tax of one cent a gallon was granted. This was offset, however, by the defeat of the recommendation that motor vehicle licenses be adjusted lower accordingly.

State aid for the accident commission was suspended for the two years beginning June 30, 1923, and July 30, 1925.

His request that the state exhibit and the tourist information bureau be done away with were both granted.

His wish that the millage tax for the soldiers' educational aid fund be entirely done away with was only partly acceded to. A bill was passed which permits the state tax commission to estimate each year the levy

CHAMBER PUSHING VARIOUS MATTERS

Seventeen men sat down to the luncheon at the regular meeting of the chamber of commerce last Monday evening. Nine of them stayed for the business session. President Walker read the chamber of commerce editorial in The News of last week to those who stayed, but not to those who ran away.

A social meeting was arranged for the evening of March 12. It was voted to invite the ladies of the civic club to attend the meeting. Plans to secure general co-operation of the citizens of the town to make the spring clean-up week effective throughout the town and general town betterment were subjects of discussion suggested for that joint meeting.

After general discussion, J. M. Larson, G. G. Bushman and W. G. Hughes were appointed a committee to take up with the council and with the light company the matter of securing better street light service.

M. J. McKlin and H. B. Frelund were appointed a committee to lay before the county court the dangers of the situation on the stretch of road between the highway bridge over the Willamette and the junction of the highways, to the west, and the advisability of replacing the footwalk swept away by the recent flood by a permanent and substantial structure.

TOWN AND VICINITY

Mrs. Juanita (Barnes) Walker has closed her term of service at Ketchum's drug store, and left yesterday for Portland, to join her husband.

A daughter of Roy Love of Jasper, a student in the High school, is obliged to drop out of school for a few days on account of an attack of flu.

For Sale:—Medium size Hall safe. Can be seen at News office.

A girl baby, weight 7 and one half pounds, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Morton Bristow, of Dexter, last night, at the home of Mrs. Bristow's parents Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Meacham, the Henry Stewart house, on lower Main street.

Richard P. McHenry, who formerly lived in the Prunelle neighborhood, now living in Portland, was married there on Saturday, February 24, to Miss Cora Ganzmiller. Mr. McHenry is a brother-in-law of R. W. Smith. He is well known here.

Dr. W. A. Holmes went to Portland Tuesday, with a patient, to consult Dr. Delner, who owns the only deep therapy machine in the state of Oregon, in regard to the treatment of this patient.

Wanted:—Men or women to take orders for genuine guaranteed hosiery for men, women, and children. Eliminates darning. Salary \$75 a week full time. \$1.50 an hour spare time. Beautiful Spring line. International Stocking Mills, Norriston, Pa. M3

W. H. Phillips, of Dexter, came into Springfield yesterday to obtain an x-ray picture of a foot that he had injured some time ago. It had not been healing as well as it ought. The examination showed a splinter of bone, which was removed.

J. Cody was brought down from Marcola to Springfield Tuesday, suffering from an acute attack of appendicitis. He was taken to Mercy hospital, and is under treatment there. It cannot be determined yet whether an operation will be necessary or not.

Mrs. Bert Gates, of Marcola, is in Springfield taking treatment for a case of severe infection.

Thoroughbred Ancona eggs for sale, \$1.00 per setting. Also one cockerel for sale. Frank Murray Springfield, Oregon 3tp

The funeral of Mrs. Emily Baker took place at Walker's chapel last Sunday afternoon, as announced in The News last week. The burial was at the Odd Fellows' cemetery in Eugene, instead of at Laurel Hill, as we stated last week.

Gale and Ketchum had a crew of three men at work Tuesday preparing the ground for the laying of a cement walk in front of Fred Brossler's residence on D street, between 6 and 7.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Both-Kelly Lumber company, in Eugene Tuesday, all of the present officials were re-elected.

Mrs. Bell Spang, who has been sick for about two months, is progressing towards recovery so far as to sit up in a chair for small portions of the day.

FOUR GENERATIONS IN GROUP PICTURE

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Yoder and baby daughter, Martha, of Walton, spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. Yoder's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Green. While they were here, they had a group photograph taken, representing four generations of the same family: great grandmother, Mrs. M. A. Green, aged 82; grandfather, W. M. Green, 62; mother, Mrs. R. E. Yoder, 37; daughter, Martha Ellen Yoder, 3 months.

EUGENE BOYS ARRESTED FOR RECENT BURGLARIES

Sheriff Stickles, on Tuesday, arrested three Eugene boys, about 14 years old, who had been under suspicion of burglary for several weeks. They confessed to having entered several residences and a photo studio in Eugene, the residence of J. L. Clark in Springfield and the residence of Wm. Denny near the overhead crossing, and taken various articles from each. They took the sheriff to a number of places where the stolen property was concealed. In all cases except one the people were away from home when they entered the houses. The home of James Withrow was entered, and some things taken, near the same time as Mr. Clark's, and it is probable that the same boys did this. The cases of the boys will be dealt with in the juvenile court.

ROCK CRUSHER GOING NOT SO NOISY AS BEFORE

The rock crusher commenced operations the latter part of last week. It is nothing like so noisy as it was in former times. Under the old system of operation, the dredge was carried up on a high cable, and dumped from a great height into a bin. This occurring at irregular intervals, made a great noise, which was very trying to the nerves of residents in that part of town. Now the dredge is landed on a platform only a few feet above the ground, the with-drawing of the dredge leaves the gravel on the platform, and it is carried into the upper works by a chain of buckets. Bystanders do not hear the sound of the dumping at all.

NOT MUCH DOING AT THE LITTLE MILLS

There is an off season just now in production in the industrial district along the Coburg line in the northwest part of town. Some interesting developments may be looked for there within the next few weeks.

The Hoyt factory was shut down for a few days during the recent stormy period. It is working a small force now.

Nothing but overhauling and preparatory work is going on at the Loud factory now.

A carload of material for the construction of the new creosoting plant soon to go up near the ice plant, was set out on the sidetrack Tuesday. This plant will do some work outside of the treating of timbers.

LADIES' CIVIC CLUB DISCUSSES ARBOR DAY

The Ladies' Civic club met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. C. E. Wheaton. The discussion of the evening was mostly about tree planting. In view of the near approach of Arbor Day, the consideration of such matters is timely. The next regular meeting of the club will be at the home of Mrs. Wm. Donaldson, on March 13. All members are requested to be present.

DEPUTY SHERIFF GEO. F. CRONER DEAD

Deputy sheriff Geo. Croner died at his home in Eugene about 11 o'clock Tuesday evening, from heart trouble. He had been off duty for several weeks, but was not supposed to be in a dangerous condition. Mrs. Croner had been away from home, and on coming in found him sitting in his chair dead, evidently having died only a few minutes before.

Mr. Croner was born in Eugene, and had lived there all his life. He was 55 years old. He had had a long and efficient course of service in the position of deputy sheriff.

For Sale:—Adding machine, standard make in a No. 1 condition. Cheap for cash or will sell on terms. Write P. O. Box 104, Eugene. Mar.15c

Mrs. Guy Cassell, of West Springfield, underwent a major operation at Mercy hospital Tuesday morning.

Nice pure pork sausage 15 cents per pound at Swarts & Washburne.

PLEASANT BIRTHDAY SURPRISE PARTY

A very pleasant surprise was sprung on Mrs. R. E. Drury, Sunday afternoon, Feb. 25, at her home on north 5th street; this being her birthday. A huge birthday cake, with the appropriate number of candles, was prepared and brought by the visiting friends. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Drury, of Coburg, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rouse, of Waltherville, Mrs. Sarah Drury and Mrs. John Spores, of Eugene.

NO SERIOUS SHORTAGE OF FEED IN THESE PARTS

The Daily News, of Marshfield, stated a few days ago, that there was a great shortage of feed in Lane county. The paper probably had in mind conditions in the coast end of the county which would come more immediately under its observation. Inquiry here brings the response that no condition of that kind that could be considered strikingly abnormal exists in this part of the county. There is a slight shortage in the local supply of hay, and a noticeable shortage in the supply of wheat and oats, particularly seed oat; for the reason that, on account of the drought last season, many of the oats did not fill well enough for seed. Mr. Clingan says they have no difficulty in getting all the feed they need to meet the demand.

YOUTH STEALS WATCHES TO GET MONEY FOR GRUB

Jack Conaba was brought before J. W. Coffin, sitting as a justice of the peace, at 2 p. m. Monday, charged with the larceny of two watches from the store of A. A. Gibson. He confessed, and turned over one of the watches. He had sold one. He was about 19 years of age. He said his parents lived about Coos Bay. He was on his way from there to work in the logging camps above Wendling. He was broke when he got here, and needed money to buy grub. So he took the watches. He was sentenced to ten days in jail, and paroled upon his promise to make good the loss to Mr. Gibson.

THOMPSON BUILDING WALK FOR FENWICK

Melvin Fenwick is having a cement walk laid on the Mill street side of his property on Mill and E streets. R. H. Thompson, of Eugene, is doing the work. His work also covers the alley to the north and the E street crossing to south. This closes a gap in the cement walk on Mill street. Mr. Thompson was formerly engaged in this kind of work; he served last year as deputy county surveyor; but he is going back into his former line of work, here and in Eugene. He has a fine mixer, of a new type; the barrel and the batteries being constructed in one piece; and the wheels made to track with a car, so that he can attach it as a trailer and take his whole outfit with him as he goes.

TRAFFIC OFFENSES FEW IN PAST WEEK

There were only three traffic offenders brought to trial in the recorder's court during the past week.

Mr. McClane's offense was driving a car with only one headlight and no tail light. The recorder assessed him \$5.00.

C. O. Elliott was discourteous enough to pass a street car while it was discharging passengers. It cost him \$5.00.

David Graham's was a plain case of speeding. The fine was \$15.00.

BOOTH-KELLY RUNNING FULL FORCE ALL AROUND

The first logs from the camps above Wendling, since the resumption of operations on Wednesday, the 21st, came down during Thursday, three trainloads. They have been coming down since frequently, not quite regularly. The logging camps are running up to practically full capacity now.

The mill resumed the three shift schedule Monday morning. The working force at both the mill and camps is now up to the high-water mark which was reached when the three shift schedule was first established, and has been maintained ever since, except from the breaks resulting from the recent heavy snows. With the great demand for lumber which now prevails everywhere, there is not much likelihood of any long-continued reduction for a long time to come.

DR. KESTER PUTS IN HIGH FREQUENCY MACHINE

Dr. E. Kester has, within the past two or three weeks, installed in his office here what is known as a "high frequency machine" for the electrical treatment of various kinds of cases both medical and surgical. One of the prime objects to be secured in most cases by this method of treatment is the raising of the internal temperature of the patient by applications from without. This is done in this method by means of an oscillatory current, which obviates the unpleasant effects upon the patient of a continuous current. The term high frequency relates to the rapidity of the oscillations of the current.

This system, in its present high state of perfection, is the outcome of a series of experiments, mostly by European investigators, running through a course of about thirty years, with the old Leyden jar as a basis at the beginning.

This system is capable of being employed in a wide range of disorders: as, for instance, diseases and derangements of the circulatory system, nervous diseases, sciatic and other forms of rheumatism, diseases of the joints and many others.

THURSTON NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Travass and family attended church in Eugene Sunday.

Gladys Hastings has been having some dental work done in Springfield.

Alex Mathews returned to Wendling Monday.

Dwayne Buell made a trip to Wendling Mon.

Hubert Gray has returned from a trip to Marshfield.

Mrs. Dougherty, who has been nursing Frank Campbell, was called to her home in Springfield Monday by the sickness of her mother.

Harry Harbert who has been attending school at Coburg returned home and entered the Thurston High school.

Several from here attended church in Eugene Sunday evening.

Mr and Mrs. Ernest West and family attended the auto show at Eugene Saturday night.

Carl Kroemer lost a horse Sunday from stagers.

John Edmiston has a sick horse.

Marie Hastings spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hastings.

Frank Campbell who has been very ill with pneumonia is much improved.

Fred Gray is suffering with boils this week.

Jack Harbert returned Monday from the camps at Wendling. He has a short lay-off.

John William and Hazel Edmiston attended the entertainment at Leaburg Saturday night.

Mrs. Charles Hastings has built a new chicken house and will soon put it in use.

Frank Chivalier, who has been visiting friends in Thurston, left Sunday for the home of Wm. Culver. He has rented this place for the balance of the winter.

Frank Rennie was out of school last Monday on account of sickness.

There was a High school board meeting Monday afternoon and it was decided at the meeting to purchase some new laboratory equipment.

Mrs. Ross Mathews who has been sick is now improving.

D. O. Baugh is able to be at work again.

Mrs. Albert Weaver returned to her school Monday morning.

Mrs. Rena Edmiston left Sunday afternoon for Eugene, where she was to appear Monday morning for jury service.

Thelma Fowler, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Frank Taylor, returned to Eugene Sunday.

The basketball game between Santa Clara and Thurston was called off on account of some of the local boys being unable to play.

There was speaking at the church Sunday night.

Maple trees have been set out on the church lawn.

Maud Edmiston spent Sunday in Springfield.

NOTES OF INTEREST FROM THE SCHOOLS

Schools Join in Celebrating Washington's Birthday. Games Scheduled

The Washington's birthday exercises at the High school the latter part of last Thursday forenoon, came just at the time the paper was being prepared for the press.

The Junior high from the Lincoln school took part in the program. The other grades of the Lincoln school continued their work until noon. The program as carried out was as follows: Opening prayer by Rev. T. D. Yarnes. Song by the girls' glee club of the High school under the direction of Miss McLean.

Introductory address by Supt. Roth, on "Why We Celebrate Washington's Birthday."

The chief address of the day, by Dr. J. M. Walters, of Eugene. His theme was, "Great Deeds of Great Men." He set forth some of the great deeds of several famous men, as a background for the setting forth of the life and character of Washington.

At the close, the audience, led by Prof. Lambert, sang "America."

The classes are practicing their several parts each evening, in preparation for the production of "Laureatesque," a combination humorous play, to be given at the High school auditorium tomorrow evening.

H. Barto, who will graduate from the university this year, and who has been the coach for all the High school ball games—basketball, football and baseball—during the past year, has been offered a position as assistant to the head of the department of economics in the university of Idaho for next year. If he accepts, as he probably will, it will give him an opportunity to take a years postgraduate work, pay his expenses and advance him towards his master's degree.

The schedule of the inter-class basketball games has had to be revised. On account of the sickness of two of their players, the juniors will not compete. The seniors, sophomores and freshmen will each play two games with each of its competitors. These games will be played after 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Two games have been played thus far: Tuesday, the 20th, sophomores and freshmen; freshmen winning 8 to 4. Tuesday, the 27th, between seniors and freshmen; seniors winning, 24 to 9. The seniors will play the sophomores this afternoon.

In our notes last week, the series of games being between Springfield High and other high schools should have been baseball, instead of basketball. The games thus far scheduled in this series are: Springfield at Junction City, April 13; Junction City at Springfield, date not fixed. Cottage Grove at Springfield, April 20; Springfield at Cottage Grove, May 4; Elmira at Springfield, April 27; Springfield at Elmira, May 25. It is planned to play 10 games in this series.

Miss Grace McCann, who was out of school for six days on account of sickness, returned to her work Monday morning.

Dorothy Potter, who had been kept out of school by a severe case of flu for several days, was back in her place Tuesday. With her return, Mrs. Lambert's room showed 100 per cent attendance that day.

The kindergarten chairs ordered for Mrs. Lambert's room, in the High school building, two or three months ago, arrived Tuesday.

The High school is now starting on the play which they intend to give in about six weeks.

The bridge which was taken out by the high water is now replaced with a new one.

Mr. E. J. Moore talked last Thursday, at the High school, on the consolidation of the Davis and Thurston schools.

Mr. Bailey was at the High school Tuesday getting the co-operation of the High school in selling the Country Gentlemen. The school was divided into two teams called "Maggie" and "Jiggs." The campaign is to last one week.

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