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OREGON LEGISLATURE ADJOURNED THURSDAY

The late lamented Oregon legislature adjourned sine die last Thursday night, or to be exact, early Friday morning.

The members made a fine record for efficiency, having passed around 300 new laws in a period of 46 days or an average of more than six laws a day.

This is considered pretty good work considering that some of the members were new on the job and that every one of these bills were supposed to be seriously considered, carefully studied and (some of them) thoroughly fumigated before being adopted into law.

The legislators, however, had the advantage of not being bound by the 8-hour law and whenever it was necessary they could, figuratively speaking, take the bit in their teeth and work as long as they wished—in some cases as much as 15 or 20 minutes a day. Some days they worked several hours and on the last night of the session it is said they stopped the clock and fairly revelled in an orgy of muscular (throat and mouth) labor until 2:00 o'clock in the mornin'.

Had the old custom of 25 years ago been observed and the members worked at lawmaking from 9:00 a. m. until 3:00 a. m., pausing only once every few minutes to go up to the state library to consult House Bill No. 109, this latest session might have passed so many laws that Governor Pierce would have been kept too busy vetoing bills to make any appointments which would probably result fatally in some casts.

Speaking of House Bill 109 of the good old days, that was considered the most important bill ever passed by the Oregon legislature. It was a rather peculiar bill, was 109—framed in willow wicker work, drawn in glass and filed under the table where he who thirsted could easily find it. It was not only passed but was re-passed numberless times and always with an exhilarating effect on the legislator. It was never passed up but was always turned down and, unless some member had considered the bill too long at one sitting it would generally stay down. Occasionally, however, some new member, fearing it might be pigeon-holed where he could not find it again would consider it too deeply when it might come up for a second reading. This, however, was not considered good form among the old timers. It may be added in passing that H. B. 109 was framed, drawn, filed, passed and re-passed before Mr. Volstead went in for politics.

Returning to present day affairs, it may be said that these 300 new laws, or those that get by the governor's old meat axe—that he took down from the Union county farm for veto purposes—must all be good laws because they were passed by 90 of the best and smartest men in the state or at least that is the impression we received from these 90 gentlemen during the late campaign.

It is now claimed that the passage of these 300 bills will reduce the tax burden in Oregon \$1,600,000.00. Why the deuce didn't they stay a few days longer and, while they were going good, turn out 3,000 or 3,000,000 more new laws and reduce the tax to a decimal point with a few cyphers after it? That's what would make the average Oregonian quit kicking for the next two years.

FARM BLACKSMITH SHOP OF MUCH PRACTICAL USE

Any farmer with a blacksmith shop can make many of the smaller tools he needs in repairing farm implements, thinks W. H. Horning, instructor in forging at Oregon Agricultural College.

"Punches, cold chisels, screw drivers, wrecking bars and other small tools can be made in the farm shop," says Mr. Horning. "Use crucible steel, known as ordinary tool steel. Care is needed not to get alloy steels intended for some other purpose."

"Use blacksmith coal, keeping a clean, deep fire. The oxygen must be all burned out of the hot gases to keep from burning it."

FOR SALE—Two hundred bushels clean headless barley.—B. F. Swaggart, Lexington, Ore. 44-45

FARM FLOCK SHEEP OWNER MAY CULL WITH PROFIT

Culling out of low producers and careful record keeping of individuals as practiced by poultry raisers and dairymen of western Oregon to increase production can be applied by the farm flock owner, says H. A. Lindgren, Oregon Agricultural College extension specialist. Experience has shown that the average fleece weight can be increased one and one-half to four pounds in four years by this method.

Culling for weight of fleece requires keen judgment. The ability to raise a good lamb or off year conditions may justify the retention of some ewes with low weight fleeces. The individuals which shear a light fleece and yet possess no other good qualifications are the ones to cull out.

BUILDING BIG SHEEP SHED

Frank Wilkinson is preparing to build a big sheep shed on his ranch on upper Willow creek and was hauling lumber for that purpose last week from the Tum-a-Lum yards. The structure will be something like 100 feet square and will require about 20,000 feet of lumber and 60,000 shingles. Harry Johnson has the contract for building.

THE REASON WHY

(Written by a Farmer)
Bill Sykes went down to Lewistown With sixty pounds of fancy wheat; He sold it there to Miller Brown, Who milled it into stuff to eat.

Bill took the ninety cents and bought Six pounds of baker's whole wheat bread; It cost him all the wheat had brought,

"How can you charge so much?" he said. The baker answered, "You know well,

I set the price on stuff I sell While you obey a foreign rule And get your price from Liverpool."

ONE MASONS TO GIVE CARNIVAL AND DANCE

The carnival, supper and dance planned by the Masons and Eastern Star of Ione, and postponed because of the big snow will be held Thursday, March 8. The delay has enabled the various committees to get their work in even better shape than before and a big time is anticipated.

Ione, Feb. 25.—Mrs. W. T. McNabb and Miss Lovely Warfield were called to Pasco on Sunday of last week by the serious illness of Mrs. McNabb's daughter, Mrs. Edna Puyear. Latest reports state that Mrs. Puyear is much improved and will re-open her school on Rhea creek this week.

The Ione high school boys' team met defeat at the hands of the Fossil basket ball team in Ione on Friday night. Ione lost two excellent men, Barnett and Bristow, when they collided during the first five minutes of the game, and the visitors had an easy victory. The score was 34-12.

Funeral services were held Wednesday for John H. Ritchie who died at his home in Ione, aged 59 years. He is survived by his widow, four sons and five daughters and several brothers and sisters.

"Grandma" Ritchie is seriously ill at the home of her son, George. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Erwin are rejoicing in the birth of a son, on Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Frank Engleman, who has been ill for some time, is now improving.

The benefit dance for Ione base ball team given on Friday night, was well attended and was a most enjoyable affair.

Mrs. J. H. Cochran was bitten on the ankle by a dog while returning from church last Sunday. The flesh was so badly torn that it was necessary to have stitches taken. The dog has been taken out of town.

Mrs. E. E. Miller of Portland is in Ione, called here by the illness of her mother, Mrs. Ritchie.

T. M. Benedict of Lyle, Washington, came in on Saturday evening's train to look after business matters here.

Mrs. E. L. Padberg is visiting in Portland.

J. T. Knappenberg is here from Portland looking after business matters.

INTERESTING LETTER FROM BOARDMAN TOWN

Boardman, Feb. 24.—A pleasant event of the week was a card party given by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Davis at their home Thursday evening, in honor of Mrs. Kennedy of Gateway, Oregon. Progressive five hundred was played, high honors going to Mrs. Kennedy, while Mrs. Ballinger enjoyed the "booby" prize. Those present were: Mrs. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Gorham, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Albright and Mrs. Raymond Crowder.

Monday evening of last week a number of local Odd Fellows attended a meeting of the Hermiton camp. Those making the trip were John Brice, C. G. Blayden, Jack Gorham and Claude Meyers.

Mrs. Leslie Packard returned on Saturday from Seattle, where she had been enjoying a visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Mitchell and family left the first of the week for Sunnyside, Washington, where they intend to reside. We are sorry to lose the Mitchell family but wish them all prosperity in their new home.

At the mass meeting of the property owners of Boardman held at the school house Thursday evening, plans of a system furnishing city water were discussed. Nothing definite was decided upon but this is a step in the right direction and we hope these plans will materialize in the near future.

Mrs. Kennedy, who was a guest of Mrs. Ralph Davis, left Friday morning for her home at Gateway, Ore.

At the school bond election Saturday the bonds carried by 33 majority. The purpose of these bonds was refunding outstanding warrants at a lower rate of interest.

Mrs. Marietta Jones, deputy organizer of the Royal Neighbors of America, is in town this week. She hopes to organize a camp here and wishes anyone who is interested to call her at the Highway Inn.

Owing to so much sickness in the community a small crowd attended the movie and lecture Friday evening. This was certainly a treat as the pictures showing the work of the M. W. A. were most interesting and Mr. Bremmer, who is a national lecturer, held the attention of the audience for nearly two hours. Mr. Bremmer's ability as a speaker is exceptional and we do not often have the privilege of hearing such a capable speaker.

A large number enjoyed the meetings and dinner at the school house Saturday. Miss Smith will return on March 17. At this meeting she will prepare several different vegetable dishes.

Lyle Blayden spent Sunday with

DIRECTORS ELECTED BY OREGON WOOLGROWERS

The newly elected board of directors of the Pacific Cooperative Wool Growers met in the office of the association at Portland Feb. 12th. The new directors take office as a result of the general election held by members in the ten districts in Oregon, Washington and Idaho on February 3. The election of officers resulted in the re-election of F. W. Herrin, president; C. L. Beckley, vice-president, and J. D. Cornett, secretary treasurer. R. A. Ward, manager of the association, presented his annual report which reviewed the world wool situation and the status of the association. Plans and policies for 1923 were also discussed by the board.

As a result of the present year's marketing many new members are joining the association and indications are that the volume of wool handled will be double that of 1922. The Pacific Cooperative Wool Growers is now the largest wool marketing organization west of Ohio and is widely recognized as being the best organized and most efficiently conducted of any similar organization.

The association in January distributed another payment of \$200,000 to 1200 western Oregon wool growers. In December, \$80,000 were distributed to growers residing in Idaho, Washington and eastern Oregon. In November it sent \$44,000 to about 400 growers representing sales of its graded mohair. There will still be another substantial payment before the entire 1922 pool is finally closed.

These wools were graded, some being secured by the association, and marketed in an orderly manner throughout the year. As a result, according to an official statement, member growers received several cents per pound more than was obtained for mixed ungraded wools at shipping time, this margin ranging from 3 to 12 cents per pound depending upon the grade of wool.

Growers of good wool received substantially more through the association's grading process, according to association officials, as the wool was sold on its merits, for actual value. Wool manufacturers and wool growers believe the educational value of grading and marketing the clip, as carried on by the association, is worth thousands of dollars to the wool industry of the northwest. The association represents 2200 wool growers residing in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and northern California.

his parents. He is stationed at Irrigon where they are resurfacing the highway.

OREGON ALFALFA IS MENACED BY WEEVIL

Hermiton, Ore., Feb. 23.—To the Editor: In the inaugural address of the new governor attention was called to the danger of the alfalfa weevil and an appropriation of \$5000 a year was asked to combat this pest. During the past few years it has been making steady progress over Idaho, Utah, Nevada and other states and Multnomah county in Oregon has already suffered enormous losses. Quarantine has been established against all hay products coming from infected districts and passing through this state in the hope that at least a part of the northwest could be saved the scourge.

During the past ten days several Portland haydealers have been reported as active in trying to secure the raising of this embargo, and some hay has actually been reported shipped. Railroad officials are being impudently to assist.

The great hay production centers of the state are menaced by this action as the hay must move by rail through the very fields themselves. The loss that is likely to be caused the local haygrowers if this pest is once started would be a heavy blow to fall on top of the last few years of deflated prices.

The Oregon Cooperative Haygrowers have made emphatic protest to the lifting of this embargo and every person interested in the development of the irrigation sections of the state should see that this is not permitted.

The excuse given is that there is a shortage of hay. So far there is still a fair supply of hay in the northwest and California has an ample supply; prices there are very reasonable; hay can even be laid down from California at Portland prices. There is no emergency that in any way justifies inoculating Oregon's remaining hay districts with the seeds of disaster.

An ounce of prevention is worth many pounds of cure when it comes to alfalfa weevil.

Submitted for consideration by Oregon Cooperative Hay Growers.

By L. A. HUNT, Manager.

HOPPER BUYS WILLARD BATTERY SERVICE SHOP

A deal was closed a few days ago between Claire V. Hopper and Delbert Clabough whereby Mr. Hopper became the owner of the Willard Battery Service station located in the Calmus building at Main and Center streets.

Mr. Hopper has been engaged in the tire business here for a couple of years located in Farmers Elevator Co. building and he will combine the two lines in the Calmus building thereby reducing overhead and operating the two kindred lines in one establishment.

Mr. Clabough will continue with the business as an employe of Mr. Hopper and will have charge of the battery service department.

STORM BOUND IN COLUMBIA GORGE

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Latourell returned from Portland where they were storm-bound for more than a week.

The night the big storm broke in Columbia gorge the Latourells were visiting friends at Corbett and when they looked out in the morning old Boreas was doing his worst. They took an early start for Portland in their Ford coupe but after a few miles had to abandon it on a big drift. After walking some distance they took passage in a big stage bus but it also soon went to the bad in a big drift and they had to walk some more to reach a street car line. They finally reached Portland at 11 p. m., after being on the road some 15 hours. Charlie says it was some experience.

They had the baby with them and he had to carry her while bucking drifts and wading snow. Fortunately the storm was from the east, otherwise it would have been utterly impossible to have reached Portland.

LIBRARY BOOKS

All persons having Heppner Library books are requested to return same to Mrs. Herren's store at once. HEPPNER LIBRARY BOARD.

LIVE NEWS NOTES FROM HEPPNER HIGH SCHOOL

Figures don't lie, but Hars do figure, and that explains more about last Friday's basket ball game with Lexington than the score of 23-21 in their favor.

The game was scheduled for a double header, but the girls' game was postponed on Friday morning when it was learned that a star forward and guard were unable to play on account of illness.

The boys' game was very swift, Lexington making the first few points, and keeping a narrow margin on the score board. A large crowd was in attendance and much cheering was done on both sides of the hall.

After the game the visitors were invited to a reception at the school house where each class had furnished one item for the "cats."

That terrible gnawing pain one sometimes has right after school was that terrible gnawing pain one the sophomores sold sandwiches "two for five, with an I. O. U." Besides helping the class out, we enjoyed a variety of good cats.

The high school students were allowed to hear the fifth and sixth grade debate last Thursday afternoon on the question, Resolved, That George Washington was greater than Abraham Lincoln. The judges' decision awarded two votes to the negative or fifth grade, and one vote to the sixth grade or affirmative.

Those pupils on the negative were: Harry Wells, John Parker, Buster Swaggart and Stout. Affirmative, Patricia Mahoney, Elizabeth Elder, Velton Owen and Bobby Turner.

Don't forget the junior stunts at the Star theatre next Tuesday night, March 6.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS ENTERTAIN HIGH PRIEST

Members of the local chapter of the Royal Arch degree in Masonry enjoyed a special lodge meeting on banquet last Wednesday evening when Hon. Frank Patterson, grand high priest of the state chapter, was the guest of honor. More than 50 members were present and about an equal number were prevented from attending by the bad weather and drifted roads. A most enjoyable evening was reported by members attending.

ARM CUT ON GLASS

Peter Prophet carried his left arm in a sling for a few days as the result of an ugly cut on the forearm received while cleaning snow from the roof of his store. Mr. Prophet slipped on the snow and in falling, thrust his arm through the skylight receiving a bad wound.

NEW WAREHOUSE TO GO UP HERE

F. R. Brown reports having secured a long lease on a tract of ground 80 x 250 feet on the east side of the track just north of the depot where construction work will begin as soon as the weather permits on a warehouse covering the lot. The lease was secured from J. O. Hager and the other interested parties are not residents of Heppner, Mr. Brown says, but he is not yet at liberty to give their names.

FREE GARDEN SEEDS

The Herald has a quantity of free garden seeds for distribution to all who have use for them. These seeds are furnished by the government and will cost you nothing. The free seed item was cut from the appropriation bill a few months ago and after present year no more free seeds will be distributed by the government. Better call early and lay in a supply.

FOR SALE

8 dozen Plymouth Rock chickens; good laying strain. 44-45 W. H. HERREN.

FOR SALE—One Jersey and Holstein milk cow, with first calf one month old. Also one three-bottom 14-inch plow.—J. H. Gemmett, Heppner, Oregon. 44-45

FOR SALE—Holstein bull, registered, at farmers price. Grandson of Johanan McKinley Segis, Carnation Stock Farm. Five months old, straight and beautifully marked.—A. P. Ayers, Boardman, Ore. 44-45

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