

Personal Mention

Cole Smith motored to Portland Saturday and on the return trip was accompanied by his daughter, Mildred, who came home for the week-end. Miss Smith is a student at Behnke-Walker business college. Also accompanying Mr. Smith were Olive Level, Francis Crooks and Mary Healy, all friends of the Smith family. Mr. and Mrs. Smith took their guests to Portland on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Larsen returned, Sunday, from a pleasant visit with relatives in central Oregon. They were accompanied by Mrs. Larson's uncle, Fred Monroe, whose home is in Pennsylvania, and by her two brothers Guy Monroe from California and Raymond Monroe from Madras.

Mrs. Saran Piggott has received information of her brother, W. Perkins of Roy, Wash.

Mr. Perkins is survived by a brother, J. A. Perkins of Roy, by his sister, Mrs. Piggott of this place and another sister whom

they have not been able to locate.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Bull expect to leave this week for Wallowa where Mr. Bull will conduct a feed store for Kerr-Gifford. Mr. and Mrs. Bull have made their home in Lexington but Mr. Bull has transacted much business in Ione for his company.

Week-end guests in the Helen Farrens and Blain Blackwell homes on Second Street were Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Colvin and son of Portland, Genevieve Farrens who is attending school in Portland, Mrs. Mary Calandra of Hood River and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Ford and son of Pendleton.

Mrs. Carl Bergstrom is enjoying a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson and a brother from Portland.

Mrs. Harry Rood and Mrs. Dorothy Sparks of Portland visited recently with their sister, Mrs. Henry Clark. Mrs. Sparks two sons were also here.

Classes of Paintings
Pictures dealing with everyday life are known as genre, as distinguished from historic, heroic, romantic or ideal themes.

CLEAN-UP TIME

The annual clean-up period as established by the Ione City Council terminates the 14th day of March. The committee Health & Police have made a tour of inspection and have made a list of fire hazards, rubbish accumulations and disorderly premises, which list has been placed in the hands of the Marshal with instructions to confer with the property owners affected.

CARD OF THANKS

We are very grateful to all the neighbors and friends for their expressions of sympathy in our bereavement, for their kindly assistance in the death and burial of our husband and father, Clinton A. Low, and for the many beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. Margaret Low
Mr. and Mrs. Leaton McMurray
Vera Moen

Posts For Sale

Extra good cedar posts delivered at your ranch, 15 cents, or will trade for Turkey Red wheat. Address, F. H. Miller, Box 403, Ione Ore.

SIXTH WEEK FINDS OREGON SESSION BUSY

Gov. Meier Signs Port and Rogue River Fish Measures; Excise Tax Increase Agreed On.

Many important measures yet to be considered—Business Far Behind—Would Reduce Officers' Mileage Fee—Appropriations Requested—Income Tax May Increase.

Salem, Ore. — Five weeks have passed and this week ends the scheduled 40-day session, but every indication points to the lawmakers holding over until next week and possibly the following week.

Things began moving a little faster this week as the legislators receive no compensation for time served after the regular 40-day session.

A total of 591 bills had been introduced in the legislature at the end of the fifth week. Of this number 325 were introduced in the house and 267 in the senate. Forty bills have been signed by the governor. Of these 14 are house bills and 26 senate bills. Twenty-one other bills not yet signed have passed both houses. A total of 84 bills have been killed either by withdrawal, indefinite postponement or defeat.

The bill closing the Rogue river to commercial fishing has become a law, leaving its opponents the opportunity to invoke the referendum if they care.

The Port of Portland bill, too, has received the executive signature, which names Kenneth Dawson, Hillman Luettmann, Harry L. Corbett and Rufus C. Holman as port commissioners and making future selections elective by the people of the port district. But all the remaining promising children of the senate and house still lie whimpering in their swaddling clothes.

Many Major Bills Unfinished.

Among the measures yet to be considered, but which may be regarded as major issues, are: The three power measures, the public utilities commissioner act, the hydro-electric commission bill and the grange power district bill, the 70-car train bill, the Tualatin tunnel bill, refund of the intangibles tax, re-enactment of the intangibles tax, retroactive intangibles tax, curbs on the powers of the emergency board, a department of agriculture, the creation of a state police department, free textbooks, banking legislation, prohibition of taxes for state purposes on real property, tobacco tax or sales tax of other kind to reduce state deficit, reorganization of the game commission, grouping of department funds, repeal of the 1-mill market road tax, appropriations to state institutions, basic science bill, substitution of the provisions of the Volstead act for Oregon's prohibition law and police and firemen's pensions.

"Power," taxes and appropriations are accepted by common consent to be the major subjects before the legislature at this time. From the foregoing survey it will be seen that none of this has come to final action. It would be a human impossibility to give these subjects the careful consideration they deserve in the remaining days of the normal 40-day period and at the same time attend to sweeping out the accumulated chaff of the session.

Business Far Behind.

When it is considered that in this mass of business are buried all the big legislation of the session, those measures which breed debate and contention, upon which each individual of the 90 in the senate and house must express their sentiments and explain their votes, some idea of the avalanche of oratory and the needed time to listen to it can be obtained.

Coming up in the senate is the free text book bill passed by the house during the latter days of last week. In the house, the old age pension problem will obtrude itself again. The house killed the pension bill the other day, while the senate passed a resolution providing for a committee of three, appointed by the governor, to make a study of old age pension and unemployment relief during the coming two years, and report its findings to the next legislature in 1933.

While the house turned down old age pensions, it turned right around and passed the firemen and policemen pension bill.

State officials and state employees who in the past have collected as much as 10 cents a mile for the operation of their privately-owned automobiles on official business will have to be content with the collection of not to exceed six cents a mile, under the provisions of a bill approved by the senate recently.

To Reduce Mileage Fee.

The measure was introduced by the joint ways and means committee after reports had been received showing that the cost of operating these privately-owned cars on state business ranged from three to ten cents a mile. Senator Johnson said the proposed law would save the state in excess of \$15,000 annually.

The senate defeated a bill introduced by Senator Fisher authorizing incorporated towns and cities to levy a tax of two mills for the support of a municipal band. Fifteen senators voted against this measure.

The senate passed a bill introduced by the judiciary committee making it necessary for operators of aircraft who use the shore of the ocean as a landing field to obtain a permit from the state highway department.

Confronted at the outset of the session with a budget which was approximately \$750,000 off balance on the "red" side of the ledger, the legislative ways and means committee now has before it for consideration special appropriations covering requests for state funds not included in the regular budget aggregating more than \$400,000.

This figure does not take into consideration the bill for a refund of the intangibles taxes collected under the 1929 act, amounting to \$894,458.35, which is another problem.

Appropriations Requested.

The largest single request for new expenditures is contained in a senate bill appropriating \$100,000 for a building at Champeog park in cooperation with federal funds.

Four cities — La Grande, Klamath Falls, Astoria and St. Helens—are asking for new armories at \$40,000 each, or a total of \$160,000.

Another important part of the legislation facing the legislature before it adjourns, is the tax program, which tentatively was started on its way the first of this week.

A plan which would wipe out virtually the entire state tax on real property in 1932 and reduce it to negligible proportions in years thereafter has been approved by the taxation committees of the senate and house and will furnish the meat for a lot of oratory before the session ends.

The plan provides, in brief, for the re-enactment of the intangibles tax, first payable in 1931 on 1930 incomes, and the increasing of the rates on excise and intangibles taxes from 5 to 8 per cent and the adding of three more brackets to the present income tax scale, which now is graduated for 1 to 5 per cent, according to the size of the income.

Real Estate Would Benefit.

The practical effect of the plan would be to increase the revenues from these other sources and, under the terms of the laws establishing the taxes for the purpose of relieving property, wipe out the property levy for 1932.

It is estimated by members of the committees that increased collections under the new schedules from excise, intangibles and income taxes would amount to \$4,470,000 as against the prospective property tax levy of \$4,428,240 if the intangibles tax is not re-enacted and the rates on it and the excise and income taxes increased. The plan, it was suggested, could be modified by lowering the proposed rate increases to accomplish any degree of property tax relief desired by the legislature.

The estimated receipts from the excise tax in 1932 under the 5 per cent schedule would be \$700,000, according to the committee's calculations, while under the 8 per cent schedule the amount would be increased to \$1,120,000. Most of the increase would fall on the banks and financial institutions, it was said, since manufacturing and other business corporations generally have property taxes to pay. Thus any increase in their excise tax would be offset by a corresponding decrease in their property tax.

May Increase Income Tax.

The committee estimates that the income tax on its present scale of 1 to 5 per cent, starting with incomes of \$2500 and increasing from 1 per cent for each thousand dollars up to 5 per cent, would yield \$1,000,000. By adding three more brackets up to 8 per cent, it is figured to yield \$1,250,000.

Members of the committee pointed out that of 30 states having intangibles taxes only two have lower rates than Oregon and that the average rate is about 9 per cent.

Under the sponsorship of the joint ways and means committee the tobacco tax bill arrived in the house and was introduced as house bill No. 313. The bill calls for a tax of 10 per cent on all tobaccos in any form and must be paid by the wholesaler. It is expected that the tax would bring \$750,000 into the general fund.

Lower interest charges on delinquent taxes were voted by the house recently, the reduction being urged for the relief of property taxpayers in financial difficulties.

Under the present law, delinquent taxes carry a penalty of 2 per cent and an interest charge of 1 per cent a month. The revision bill, sponsored by Representatives Andrews, Manning and Mott, eliminates the penalty of 2 per cent and reduces the interest to two-thirds of 1 per cent a month. On the yearly basis, the interest on delinquent taxes is reduced from 12 to 8 per cent.

Lexington News

Miss AMABEL STRODTMAN

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Strodtman, accompanied by Miss Helen Falconer Ralph Phillips were business visitors in Pendleton on Saturday, J. E. Gedtry and family were also in that city in the same bay.

Water and Earl McKinney of Moro ar visitors at the A. C. Luttrell home on Willow Creek.

At a large public Grange dance on Saturday evening, a short program was given. Included in this entertainment were piano solos by Mrs. J. O. Turner; vocal solo, Harvey Miller; recitation, Lester Wilcox and a ski, presented by a number of Grange ladies. Mrs. Karl Miller was Penelope; Miss Helen Falconer, Aunt Mary; Helen Wells, Aunt Martha and Ruth Dinges, Bridget. There was also community singing.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Munkers returned the last of the week from Portland where they have spent the winter.

Lloyd Wright is again seen on the streets of Lexington after several weeks illness which confined him to his home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Cox and Mrs. Sarah White were among the Lexington people who attended Christian Church services in Heppner on Sunday.

J. B. Blaze, of Patterson, Wash. is visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. L. Blakely in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Lester White attended the annual Wasington's Day Ball at the Elks Temple on Saturday evening.

Miss Tillie Nelson, a student in Lexington school received a broken arm, Saturday, at the H. O. Bauman home. She was descending the stairs when the unfortunate accident occurred.

Jim Wren, who sold his residence property near the Farmers' Warehouse to Fred Kuns has moved to Heppner where he will be employed on the James Monahan ranch.

Ed Cummings has taken over the Transfer Company formerly owned by Fred Kuns.

Mr. and Mrs. Mele Miller are the proud parents of a daughter born at the Heppner Hospital on the 13d of February.

At the Washington program given in the school building on Monday morning a skit was given by the American History class. Amabel Strodtman took the part of the Seeress; Neva Warner of Queen Isabella of Spain; Ruth Dinges, Helen of Troy; Fay Gray, Priscilla; Ruth Luttrell, Pocahontas; James Valentine, Paul Revere; Emmett Kuns, Sir Walter Raleigh; Archie Munkers, Rip Van Winkle; Kenneth Warner, George Washington and Maurice Reany, Officers. There were also songs and recitations by pupils in the grades.

Social Events

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Tucker entertained a party of friends, Saturday evening, honoring their house guests Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Tucker, of Moro. Court Whist was the diversion of the evening. Refreshments of fruit salad, angel cake and coffee were served. These presnet beside the host and hostess and the honor guests, were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blake, Mr. and Mrs. Victor C. Peterson Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Harlan McCurdy, Miss Hildegard Williams, Miss Geneva Pelky, Miss Dolores Levens, Miss Maude Knight, Miss Florence Emmons, L. N. Riggs.

High scores were made by Mrs. Brown and George Tucker, kw by Miss Knight

Workmen's "Palace"

The People's palace is an institution at Mile End, London, established to furnish facilities for education and recreation to the people of east London.

"TWO DAYS TO MARRY"

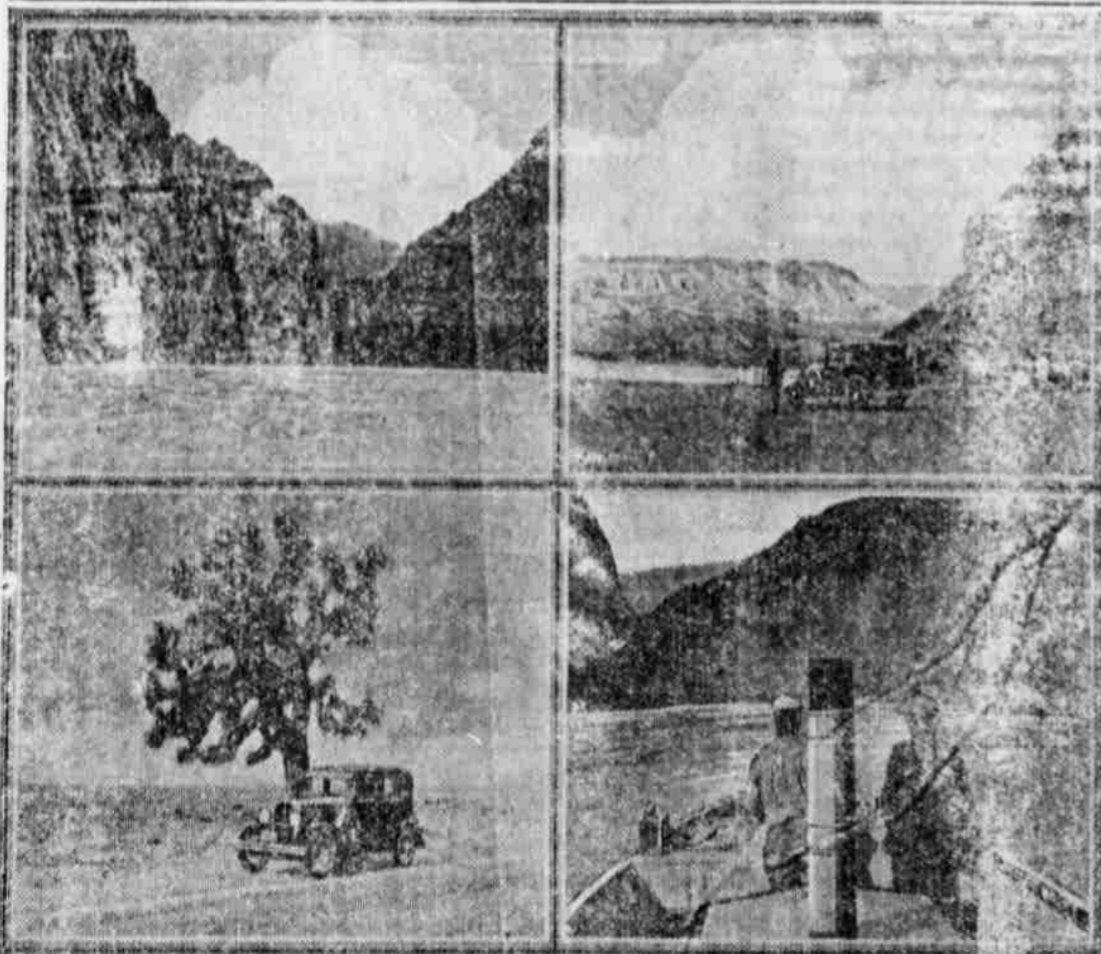
Good Minstral Part
At Arlington Theater
SATURDAY EVENING
March 7,
At 8:00 o'clock

DANCE AFTERWARDS

Music by
Slim's Full House

Admission: 15 & 35 ct.

Boulder Dam Site Easy Jaunt



A. H. Patterson, Stockton, Calif., Oakland and Pontiac dealer, drove a Pontiac Sedan from Stockton to the site of the great Boulder Dam and return, and proved that the trip is merely a week-end jaunt. The photographs show the Pontiac car at the boat landing in the canyon of the Colorado. Another view shows the towering walls of the canyon where the dam will be built. A huge desert tree is shown in one of the other photos. One of the other views shows the canyon walls and the muddy river, with the funnel of the boat in the foreground. The dam will be one of the highest in the world. The Pontiac made the 1176-mile run to the dam site and back without trouble, and in high gear all the way.