

STATE CAPITAL NEWS

- Major Bills
- New School Tax
- Roads Protection

By A. L. LINDBECK

Salem.—The seventh week of the legislative session finds every major bill still in the hands of its origination; most of them are still held in committees to which they were referred in the opening weeks. This is especially true of the proposed amendments to the unemployment compensation act which remain in the hands of the House judiciary committee, the proposed amendments to the workmen's compensation act still in the hands of the senate committee on industries, all of the old age pension measures, most of the educational bills and scores of other measures.

While in one sense these are classified as major legislation there is nothing in the hopper of either the house or the senate that can not be scrapped without in any way seriously affecting the state or its citizenry.

Probably the most glaring example of the dilatoriness on the part of the lawmakers at this session is that of the so-called speed bill. Introduced as senate bill No. 1 on the opening day of the session and meeting but little opposition this measure was not reported out of the committee on roads and highways until the fortieth day of the session and did not reach third reading until Monday of this week, forty-three days after it was first presented.

The "big truck" bill which went down to defeat under a two-to-one negative vote in the senate this week was held in committee more than five weeks before the legislators were given a chance at it. Defeat of this measure was some what of a surprise, having as it did, the blessing of Governor Sprague and the state highway commission and going out onto the senate floor with the backing of six of the members of the committee on roads and highways.

While the legislators themselves are now working on their own time, their pay having stopped at midnight Friday, the pay of the small army of clerks, stenographers, pages, doorkeepers and other employees goes right on. With more than 200 of these attaches on the payroll at an average of better than \$5 a day the lawmaking machinery is costing the taxpayers more than \$1000 a day, Sundays and holidays included.

In an effort to head off future attempts to raid the state's highway funds the senate committee on roads and highways is sponsoring a proposed constitutional amendment which would forbid diversion of highway revenues to any purpose other than the construction or improvement of roads and bridges. The proposed amendment would not preclude the counties and cities from attempting to divert a slice of this revenue into their own coffers so long as it was intended for road work but it would stand as an effective bar against attempted diversion of gasoline taxes, automobile licenses and other highway revenues for old age pensions, support of the schools or any other purpose.

Representative Perry of Columbia is the author of a measure which would give the lawmakers \$5 a day for personal expenses in addition to their \$3 per diem. The expense pay would cover a session of 50 days or \$250 for each member. Old timers recall that a similar attempt to supplement the pay of the legislators was made several years ago but most of those who accepted this additional pay returned it after the attorney general held it to be in violation of the constitutional provision which appears to limit the compensation of the legislators to \$3 a day for a session of 40 days, plus 15 cents a mile for the round trip to the capitol and return.

Barber shop conversation in the future will be an a higher plane if

the senate follows the lead of the House which this week passed a bill providing that barbers must have a high school education. The present law requires only an eighth grade education.

Multnomah, Douglas and 14 counties east of the Cascades will contribute toward the support of schools in the other 20 counties of the state if House Bill 420—the school fund equalization bill—is enacted into law, which just now appears to be entirely probable.

The measure which was prepared by the state department of education and which has the approval of Governor Sprague, would levy a tax on all property in the state sufficient to raise a fund of \$20 for every child on the school census roll. This fund would, in turn, be apportioned among the counties on the basis of days' attendance in the schools of the county.

According to a tabulation worked out by the state department of education Morrow county, upon the basis of present valuation and school census would contribute \$42,512 in taxes to the school equalization fund and, in turn, would receive \$25,623 for the support of its schools in the apportionment of the fund among the counties.

Sherman county would be hardest hit by the measure, paying into the fund approximately three times as much as it would receive. Multnomah county which would be taxed \$1,814,538 under the plan would receive only \$1,447,967 in return and Umatilla county would pay in \$225,333 and take out only \$127,978. Other counties which would pay in more than they would receive include Baker, Crook, Douglas, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Jefferson, Klamath, Lake, Morrow, Wallowa, Wasco and Wheeler.

On the other hand Lane county would pay in only \$259,014 and take out \$367,249 and Melheur which would pay in only \$71,428 would receive in return \$131,092.

If passed by the legislature the program will be submitted to the voters at the next general election and must receive their approval before becoming law.

A proposal to throw open county hospitals to osteopaths, chiropractics and other practitioners has attracted the vigorous opposition of the members of the medical profession. A representative of the Josephine county medical association told the senate committee on medicine that all seven of the physicians of that county would withdraw from the Josephine county hospital, the only hospital in the county, incidentally, if the bill were passed. Representatives of the university of Oregon medical school in Portland declared that passage of the measure would seriously impair effectiveness of the school as well as the Multnomah county hospital which is served by members of the medical school staff.

The joint committee on public institutions wants an interim committee to make a study of conditions and needs of state institutions during the next two years and report back to the next session on what should be done to improve the service the state is now giving to its wards. An interim committee has already been created to study Columbia river fishing problems in cooperation with like committees from Washington and Idaho.

This session may not establish a new record for longevity but present indications are that it will run the 1939 session a close race for that distinction. Should the session run another three weeks (two after the current one) it will have exceeded the record of the 1935 session which continued for 50 days.

CORRECTION

In reporting the dinner for visiting assessors here last week, it was inadvertently said that Mrs. Tom Wells played a violin solo. The solo was played by Mrs. Tom Wilson.

SUMMONS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF MORROW.

Morrow County Graingrowers, Incorporated, a corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Heppner Farmers Elevator Com-

pany, a corporation, Ida B. Cochran and John Doe Cochran, her husband, all the unknown heirs of Ida B. Cochran, deceased. Also all other persons or parties, unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the complaint herein,

Defendants.
To Ida B. Cochran and John Doe Cochran, her husband, all the unknown heirs of Ida B. Cochran, deceased. Also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the complaint herein, Defendants:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE

OF OREGON, you and each of you are hereby required to appear and answer plaintiff's complaint filed against you in the above entitled court and cause within four weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons and if you fail to so appear or answer, for want thereof, plaintiff will apply to the above entitled court for the relief prayed for in its complaint, to-wit:

For a decree quieting plaintiff's title in and to the following described real property, situate in Morrow County, Oregon, to-wit:

Beginning at a point 236.1 feet West of a point on the East line of Section 27 in Township two (2) South, Range 26 East of the Willamette Meridian, 1168.1 feet South of the East quarter Section corner of said Section, running thence North 48 deg. 17 min. West 446.5 feet, thence South 41 deg. 43 min. West 100 feet, thence South 48 deg. 17 min. East 331 feet, thence South 89 deg. 10 min. East 152.8 feet to the point of commencement;

ALSO, beginning at a point 25.8 feet West of a point on the East line of said Section 27 in Township two (2) South, Range 26 East of the Willamette Meridian, 1531.2 feet South of the East Quarter Section corner of said Section, running thence North 54 deg. 30 min. West 332.1 feet, thence South 35 deg. 30 min. West 60 feet, thence West 69.8 feet, thence South 54 deg. 30 min. East 424.9 feet, thence East 29 feet, thence North 102.7 feet to the place of beginning;

ALSO, all of Blocks twelve (12) in Wills' Addition to the Town of Ione, Oregon as designated in Book 1 at page 18 of Plats in the office of the County Clerk of Morrow County, Oregon;

ALSO, a certain tract of land designated as Arbitrary Tract No. 20 on "W. H. Hill Plat of said Town," which tract is on file in the office of the County Clerk of Morrow County, Oregon, and which Tract No. 20 is more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point on the South line of the Right of Way of the O. W. R. & N. Co., 60 feet Westerly from the Northeast corner of Block 12, Wills' Addition to the Town of Ione, Oregon, running thence Westerly following said railroad right of way's South line 200 feet, thence South 45 feet to the County road or the Westerly extension of Main Street, thence Easterly along the Northerly line of said road or street, 200 feet to the West line of Surething Avenue, 80 feet to the point of beginning;

and that plaintiff be adjudged the owner in fee simple of said real property and that you and each of you be forever barred of and from all right, title, estate, lien or interest in and to said real property and every part and parcel thereof; and for such other and further relief as may be just and equitable.

This summons is served upon you by publication thereof in the Heppner Gazette Times, a newspaper of general circulation, once a week for four successive weeks pursuant to an order of Hon. Bert Johnson, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon for Morrow County, which order is dated February 19, 1941, and the date of the first publication of this summons is February 20, 1941.

JOS. J. NYS,

Attorney for Plaintiff.

Residence and postoffice address: Heppner, Oregon. 51-5t.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the County Court of the State of

Oregon for the County of Morrow. In the Matter of the Estate of PERRY TAYLOR, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned was duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Morrow County, as administrator cum testatum annexum of the estate of Perry Taylor, deceased, and all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers, duly verified as required by law, to said administrator, at the law office of W. Vawter Parker in Heppner, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated and first published this 13th day of February, 1941.

OTTO RIETMANN,

Administrator cum testatum annexum of the Estate of Perry Taylor, deceased.

NOTICE

On December 2, 1940, an ordinance was passed by the City Council of Heppner, requiring all persons keeping livestock within the City of Heppner to secure a permit from the said Council for that purpose. This ordinance became effective January 2, 1941.

Application must be made to the Council in writing for such permit and if acted upon favorably by the said Council, the permit will be issued by the recorder at a cost of \$1.00.

Notice is hereby given that all persons, who are keeping horses, cattle or sheep, within the city limits of the City of Heppner, must secure a permit on or before March 1st, 1941.

Dated and published this 23rd day of January, 1941.

J. O. TURNER, Mayor.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned were duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Morrow County administrators of the estate of Percy Hughes, also known as A. P. Hughes, deceased, and all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased are hereby required to present the same to the undersigned administrators, duly verified as required by law, at the law office of Jos. J. Nys, at Heppner, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated and first published this 6th day of February, 1941.

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