

TRUCK LICENSES IN OREGON WILL BE DISCUSSED

Truck license fees and regulations will be the subject of consideration at the first public hearing of the Oregon Motor Vehicle License Revision committee. This hearing will be at Portland at two o'clock on Monday afternoon, Jan. 28th, room 520 Court House.

For the past six months the special committee appointed by Governor Pierce to make recommendations to the 1925 legislature for a motor vehicle license revision reducing the tax burden on the old car has been gathering information. The January 28th hearing will be the first of a series to be held during the year in order that the committee's report may represent the sentiment of the people of the state.

W. B. Dennis of Carlton, chairman of the committee, announces that this truck hearing will not take up the problems of the for-hire truck or the passenger bus. These will be the subject of a later hearing.

The personnel of the License Revision committee is: W. B. Dennis, Carlton, chairman; James H. Cassell, Portland, secretary; James S. Stewart, Corvallis; John H. Hall and C. L. Boes of Portland.

THREE TALKS FOR WEDNESDAY NOON

A very interesting program has been arranged for the forum of the Medford Chamber of Commerce for Wednesday noon. There will be three speakers: R. W. Price of the Crater Lake National Park company, Miss Adele Pritchard, president of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's clubs, and O. C. Boaga who will give a five minute talk on thrift, as this is National Thrift Week.

The officers have not been advised of the topics which the out of town speakers will talk about, but both represent important groups of business men and women and their message to the chamber will be important.

The forum as usual, will be held at the Hotel Medford at noon and the privilege of the forum is extended to members of the local Business and Professional Women's club.

Susanne Holmes Carter Asking Renomination

Susanne Holmes Carter announces as a candidate for the republican nomination for county school superintendent, at the primary in May.

Mrs. Holmes was appointed first to serve out an unexpired term of Mr. Ager, was elected for one term and now asks for a second term.

Mrs. Carter is active in state teachers' circles, being a member of the executive committee. During her term of office, she has established a uniform day for 8th grade commencements all over the county, has been very active in securing splendid educational exhibits for the county and state fairs and is devoting considerable time to standardizing rural schools with excellent success. Mrs. Carter is the only woman holding a county office.

WANTS BOK PLAN IN THE DEMO. PLATFORM

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 21.—Governor William E. Sweet, democrat, Sunday urged incorporation of the Bok peace plan in the national democratic platform of 1924. The proposal was urged before an audience at the Denver Y. M. C. A. of which Governor Sweet has been president for the last 24 years.

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NO INCREASE IN GRAZING FEES IN WEST UNTIL 1926

PORTLAND, Jan. 21.—Word has just been received by District Forester Geo. H. Cecil from the forester confirming the report in recent press dispatches to the effect that no change will be made in grazing fees until 1926. The Forester's letter reads in part:

"After many conferences with the secretary, members of congress, stockmen, and members of this office, at which the present condition of the livestock industry was fully considered, the secretary has decided that the industry is in no position to stand an increase in the grazing fees in 1925. In announcing this change of plan I should like to point out specifically that we do not depart from the commercial principle in establishing grazing fees." The letter continues:

"I hope it will be possible to receive full comments from the stock associations, together with your final recommendations and reports, not later than July 1, 1924. We will then be prepared to secure the secretary's approval of a minimum and a maximum fee for each district, based upon the range appraisal reports. The forester will then approve the fees for each forest. During the next two years the range appraisal data will be rechecked and supplemented."

Colonel Greeley, now in attendance at the National Livestock meeting at Omaha, will formally announce the secretary's decision.

In this connection, Mr. Cecil said: "The first agitation looking to an increase in fees arose over the feeling on the part of feeders in the corn belt that the western stockmen on the free public domain and the national foresters were obtaining grazing privileges at a very low cost and had an unfair advantage over the feeder in the corn belt region. The situation was aggravated by the knowledge that throughout the west the Indian reservations and areas of private land were leased by stockmen at rates considerably in excess of those paid on the national forests."

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FRICITION OVER FLIGHT TO NORTH POLE DENIED

LAKEHURST, N. J., Jan. 21.—Complete denial that there is any friction among the officers of the naval air station here over the flight of the Shenandoah to the north pole was made yesterday by Captain Frank R. McCrary, commandant at the station and present commander of the giant dirigible which will make the flight next summer. His denial came in response to rumors that all was not well among the officers and personnel at the station over the flight.

When asked whether he expected to make the flight himself and whether he expected to command the Shenandoah, Captain McCrary replied:

"I am going to make that north pole flight. Whether or not I am in command will lie with the secretary of the navy."

PUGET SOUND BIDS FOR NORTHWEST TOURISTS

SEATTLE, Jan. 21.—John E. Carroll, a member of the Seattle city council, was under promise tonight to introduce in that body an ordinance providing for personal invitations to mayors of other cities and governors of states other than Washington to spend their next vacations in the Pacific Northwest. He told the Seattle chamber of commerce yesterday this would be a good way to set the stream of tourists flowing more strongly toward Puget Sound.

ARREST OVER 1000 IN PHILADELPHIA RAID

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 21.—Station houses were crowded last night with prisoners taken in the second 48 hour drive of Brigadier General Smedley D. Butler, director of public safety, to clean up the city. In his latest offensive, which ended at noon today, a total of 1045 persons were arrested in approximately 160 raids made by the police and prohibition agents.

ALEUTIAN ISLAND BECOMES IMPORTANT SHEEP RANGE

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan.—A herd of 2000 sheep landed in the fall on Umnak island, one of the larger of the Aleutian Islands at the northern end of the Pacific Ocean, will be increased by additional shipments to 30,000 net year, according to Aman Moore of this city. Mr. Moore is one of the promoters of a project to make the island a sheep range rivaling the industry that has distinguished the Falkland Islands off the coast of South America.

"There is a wonderful stand of grass on Umnak, knee-high, and not a tree or bush on the island," said Mr. Moore. The government has given a lease on 350,000 acres on the island for the enterprise and has promised 150,000 acres more when needed. A. L. Mackintosh, a pioneer sheepherder of Oregon, is credited with discovering that the island was a potential sheep range.

Sports

ROGERS HORNSBY WILL STAY WITH ST. LOUIS CLUB

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 21.—The hot stove league has lost one of its favorite subjects, sale or trade of Rogers Hornsby, leading batter of the National league by the St. Louis club. Rogers himself halted the trade talk last night with the statement that he would be with the Cardinals this year and that he would strive to the utmost to play the game to the best of his ability.

"I owe that to the fans, my fellow players and my contract," he explained, adding that it was the contract, and not any settling of his differences with club officials that led to his decision.

He says the breach between President Brendan and Manager Rickey of the Cardinals and himself is just as wide as when he was suspended last September after reports of a fight between him and Rickey.

Hornsby said that he would train with the club at Bradenton, Fla., although two months ago he said he would play with the club, but would not report for spring training.

JAKE SCHAEFER HAS GOOD CHANCE TO BEAT HOPPE

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—Willie Hoppe of New York, world champion 18-2 balk line billiardist and Young Jake Schaefer, former champion, will meet here tonight in the first 500 point block of a three-night, 1500 point match for the championship. Schaefer is challenging in the turn acquired by finishing second to Hoppe and Welker Cochran, in the recent New York tournament. Hoppe has defended his championship against Cochran's challenge.

Schaefer has been here several days practicing and Hoppe arrived yesterday. Schaefer has shown so well in his practice that he has many supporters in his quest of the championship although Hoppe is in excellent form.

The contest starting tonight is the third meeting of Hoppe and Schaefer in as many seasons. Schaefer has a record of three consecutive victories over Hoppe, but the veteran champion possesses a like number of victories over the young challenger.

BASEBALL AND ROWING TEND TO PROLONG LIFE

BOSTON, Jan.—The chances of a Harvard athlete for a long life are excellent, according to figures compiled by Dr. W. H. Geer, director of physical education at the college, and an insurance statistician.

Of former baseball players, who, by all the calculations of insurance experts, should now be dead, 31 per cent are still in the land of the living, and the percentage is the same among oarsmen. Of men who have been on the track team, only 26 have died, this being 28 per cent of the ordinary average. Of former football players, however, 97 per cent of those calculated to have died have fulfilled expectations.

The figures were obtained from the records of 528 men who won their letters at Harvard previous to 1900.

Hay Hyatt Sold to Galveston. LOS ANGELES, Jan. 21.—Hay Hyatt, veteran outfielder and first baseman of the Vernon baseball club, has been sold outright to the Galveston club of the Texas league, according to announcement made by Howard Lorenz. The purchase price was withheld.

Another Hole Out in One. LOS ANGELES, Jan. 21.—The "hole-in-one" club has another candidate in J. A. Simpson, visitor from the Ridgemoor country club of Chicago, who conquered in one stroke the difficult seventh hole on the north course at the Los Angeles country club Saturday.

Tablet on Page's London Home. LONDON, Jan.—The building at No. 6 Grosvenor Square has been marked with a tablet in memory of Walter Hines Page, who was American Ambassador from 1913 to 1918, and who made the building his residence. The tablet was erected by the English Speaking Union.

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BOK PEACE PLAN VOTE NOW STANDS 88 PER CENT 'FOR'

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—A report was made today on the first early returns in the "referendum" on the American Peace award which began January 7th, and will last until approximately the middle of February.

Although many thousands of copies of the plan and ballot, shipped in response to orders, have necessarily not yet reached their destination, a good deal of voting has already been done through the ballots in the daily press. At the end of the first five days of the "referendum," the vote stands 5128 against the plan and 38,529 for the plan. This is a percentage of approximately 11 3/4 per cent against, and 88 3/4 per cent for.

The votes are just beginning to come in from the very far west. In some cases the votes will be delayed because the newspapers are receiving the ballots in their offices first, tabulating them, and then forwarding them to the office of the Award. A number of these, however, are sending in the daily gists as it comes. The coupons are clipped from papers of every kind—the metropolitan daily and the small town daily alike. Since the weeklies are just beginning to publish the ballot, ballots from this source will not arrive for some days yet.

The committee in charge of the award said that in addition to the 42,657 votes received, thousands of the voters have written letters giving their "fuller comment" in spirited fashion, both for and against the plan. Of the letter writers the number is about equally divided for and against.

The committee said today that the point that comes most strongly to the fore in most of these communications is an insistence that the question of our foreign policy be sharply removed from the field of purely partisan political discussion.

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