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THE FERRIS BILL

OF more immediate importance to Oregon and the Western states than the administration's program of preparedness is the Ferris bill, which has just recently passed the house. This bill attempts to, and does, take away from the people of Oregon, from the commonwealth of Oregon and all other Western states, the right to enjoy, have and to hold the property and property rights within the confines of the state.

In more common terms it takes away the right to the use of the water power of the mountain streams of Oregon and places it in the hands of the secretary of the interior or some other official at Washington who never saw the West, and gives him the sole right to say who shall have leases upon these water power sites, who shall develop them and how, etc.

In legal terms, effective upon the passage of the bill, it virtually sets up in Oregon a perpetual landed proprietor whose lands shall remain forever exempted from the taxing power of the state, and also from its powers of eminent domain, so that they may be closed to development or allowed to be used on such terms and charges as the proprietor of the lands, the federal government may choose to name. The state within those boundaries the water power is located has not one word to say about it.

So effectually does this Ferris bill bottle up the West that future development along the lines of the greater opportunity is practically forbidden, and only at the pleasure of some official in Washington will our great water possibilities be even touched upon. Oregon, Washington, Idaho, California and all the Rocky Mountain states have immense potential wealth in the undeveloped water power. It only requires the denser population and the manufacturing impulse to set these mighty machines of power in motion. Those things will come, are inevitable, and the growth of the country will be checked and held in abeyance until such time as the federal government shall please to release this mighty power, and even then it is doubtful if its energies will be properly developed or directed in the proper channels.

The Ferris bill effectively bottles up the water power sites, prevents capital from investing and takes away the sovereign right of the state to the use of its own property; it effectually throttles individual development and practically creates a monopoly to which future generations must pay big toll.—Pendleton Evening Tribune

Scattered Shots AND NOW IT'S Jack Frost's turn to be "hitting the pipes."

SO FAR, no candidates for sheriff have seen fit to make their names known.

THE STORM is causing warm arguments between old inhabitants, comparing the present winter with that of '89, '73, etc.

POOR, BRAVE little Montenegro is the latest to learn that it's fine to have England, France and Italy as allies—until you really need them.

FIGURING THAT it will take at least a year's study before submitting peace proposals, the Ford peace party at last goes on record in favor of preparedness, despite the fight this subject has caused on the Oscar.

THIS IS Letter Writing Week. Are you observing it?

AND PAY-UP Week is coming. Will you be ready for it?

YEP, COLDER than the North Pole—and no warm room where one can quaff enough "liquid fire" to melt the icicles out of one's stomach. Such is winter—and prohibition.

THE OLD OAKEN BUCKET could at least be depended upon to keep the house well supplied with water during the winter months.

Youngest German Boys in Army



Here are youngest soldiers of the kaiser, the one in the army and the other in the navy. Each is shown with his father. Both of them have proven themselves efficient members of Germany's fighting forces.

Vatican Is to Take More Interest in World Affairs

By ALICE ROHE (United Press Staff Correspondent)

ROME, Jan. 6.—(By mail)—The Vatican is to take more active interest in temporal diplomatic politics than it has evinced for many years, in the opinion of Vatican affairs' observers whose opinions are respected.

In the recent elevation of six new cardinals to the royal purple of the Sacred College, Pope Benedict has given the first definite indication of what will be the future character and policy of the pontificate, say these men, who assert that they base their conclusion upon centuries of Vatican precedent.

The Sacred College, consisting usually of from sixty to seventy members, has charge of the administration of the Catholic affairs throughout the world. The college is under the direction of the pope. The pontiff usually wants this body composed of cardinals in harmony with his ideas.

The Vatican world awaits with interest the first consistory that a new pontiff holds in order that it may judge, from the character of the first cardinals created by the new pope, what will be the general policy of his pontificate.

When a cardinal is elected pope he finds himself surrounded by a Sacred College chosen by his immediate predecessors. These cardinals may be out of harmony with what he wants to accomplish. It is seldom a prelate becomes a cardinal before he is 50, and as deaths in the college membership are not infrequent, the new pontiff gradually may change the character of the Sacred College by the elevation of new members. In the

course of ten years a new pope ordinarily may have, if he wished, surrounded himself with a Sacred College, the majority of which is in harmony with his ideas. It is only then that a pope begins to give his pontificate that character which is likely to be associated with his name in history.

In the recent creation by Pope Benedict of his first six cardinals the fact that stood out most prominently was that four of them were chosen from the ranks of the vatican diplomatic service. These were Cardinal Tonti, papal nunzio to Portugal; Cardinal Cagliero, papal nunzio to the Central American republics; Cardinal Frutvirth, papal nunzio to Munich, and Cardinal Scapinelli, papal nunzio to Vienna.

Pope Benedict's reign, therefore, according to Vatican students and tradition, is expected to mark a revival of the political side of the church. This predicted outcome would be in harmony with Pope Benedict's training.

Pope Benedict, when he was Monsignor Della Chiesa, was trained in the diplomatic and political school of Pope Leo. When Cardinal Rampolla, as secretary of state to Pope Leo, labored in harmony with the latter to strengthen the vatican's diplomatic relations in all the leading courts of the world, Monsignor Della Chiesa was under secretary of state to Cardinal Rampolla. He also held diplomatic posts at Paris and elsewhere.

The revival of this policy, Rome believes again is presaged in the elevation to the Sacred College of four veteran diplomats. It is confidently expected that this entire pontificate will be marked by this policy.

NO VERDICT IN THE HILL CASE

AFTER NEARLY ELEVEN HOURS OF DEBATING, JURORS, DEADLOCKED, ARE DISCHARGED BY JUDGE KUYKENDALL

No verdict was returned in the trial of William G. Hill on charge of deserting and failing to support his wife and family, the jury disagreeing. A deliberation of nearly eleven hours preceded the discharge of the hopelessly deadlocked jury by Judge Kuykendall.

The case went to the jury at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon. At 3 o'clock the talesmen returned into court to ask if they could render recommendations with the verdict. They were told that they were the judges only of innocence or guilt. At ten that evening, the jurors

again came into court with a verdict of guilty, with a long recommendation for parole and leniency providing the defendant would again provide for his family, etc. After the recommendations were set aside by the judge, the jury was polled, but two dissented to the verdict without the recommendations, so the twelve good men and true were sent out again to wrangle in an effort to reach a unanimous verdict.

This proved an impossibility, all argumentation failing to change the opinion of any member. At 1:45, therefore, they came into court the third time, this time still deadlocked, and were discharged by Judge Kuykendall.

The trial of the case attracted much attention, as the Hills are well known in Klamath Falls. Prosecuting Attorney John Irwin conducted the state's case, and W. H. A. Benner appeared for the defendant.

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