

# PLAN TO RETIRE JUDGES AT AGE 70 ON FULL PAY

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 21. (AP)—Voluntary retirement of judges on full pay at the age of 70 is provided for in a group of bills pertaining to the judiciary and judicial procedure which Senator J. W. Crawford has ready for introduction. Another of the measures provides for a state judicial council of 15 members, five judges, five lawyers and five laymen, instead of the present council of five judges.

The retirement bill applies to supreme and circuit court judges who have served continuously for 15 years as supreme or circuit court judges or attorney general. The enlarged judicial council would be appointed by the chief justice. Among the five judges serving would be the chief justice himself, one associate justice and three other judges of courts of record. The theory of naming five laymen, it was said, is that they would serve as a "leveling influence."

Among other provisions of the group of bills are: Amending the law relative to disbarment proceedings to make it clearer and more definite, and prohibiting publicly until the charges reach the supreme court. Providing that the court may suspend rules of evidence so as not to require a litigant to prove or disprove a set of facts, when there is no bona fide dispute, even though there is an issue in the pleadings.

Providing for the appointment by the supreme court of a state code reviser. His duty would be, during and between legislative sessions, to formulate bills for the clarification of laws or for the repeal of useless laws, and to coordinate the statutes for codification. He would receive compensation of \$500 a year.

Removing the requirement that a chattel mortgage be filed, and adding a qualification for supreme and circuit court judges that they be not over 70 years old at the time of appointment or election, the act not to apply to judges in office at the time of passage of the bill, and relative to their running for re-election unless they shall have served for 15 years.

Reinstating the statute authorizing the chief justice to assign circuit judges to districts other than their own. Amending the service of summons law so that summons may be served on the vice president and cashier of a corporation, as well as upon their superiors.

Providing for levy of attachment or execution on personal property interest in estates of decedents.

Requiring courts to instruct juries in writing before argument by counsel. At present the juries are instructed after argument and not in writing unless requested.

## Wickersham Says President Did Not Meddle In Report

(Continued from Page One) blete substitute for the present system, said in Richmond the report as a whole "favors modification of the 'Eighteenth amendment.'" Until other members speak, the capital and the country apparently will be left to draw their own conclusions and place their own interpretation on a report which is being variously interpreted today as dry, wet, and a straddle.

Hoover Takes Stand There was less dispute over the position taken by the president in sending the report to congress.

With whatever effect on his fortunes in 1932, he said definitely that he not only agreed the amendment should not be repealed, but did not want to be understood even as favoring a revision of it.

Will Be Issued in '32 Speaking as an individual, and not as chairman of the republican national committee, Senator Fess of Ohio indicated after a White House call today that he expected Mr. Hoover's stand on the Wickersham report to be his stand in the 1932 presidential campaign.

The Ohio senator was quick to add that he had not discussed the report with the president. For himself, he said he regarded it as "in the main, encouraging to the dry cause."

A democratic senator opposing prohibition, Walsh of Massachusetts, placed upon the president's message the interpretation Mr. Hoover had definitely taken up the dry side, and would lead his party in 1932 against revision.

Opinions Vary Another democratic anti-prohibitionist, Representative Mary T. Norton of New Jersey, described the president's stand as "amazing" in view of the revision leanings she saw in the report itself.

From a republican opposed to the dry statutes, Representative Schafer of Wisconsin, came this observation: "It may be necessary for congress to conduct a survey to ascertain what conclusion was really reached."

Smoot With Hoover Senator Smoot, republican, Utah, joined the president in objecting to the proposal for replacing the Eighteenth amendment with one to empower congress to regulate traffic in liquor.

A resolution to that end, as well as one for a congressional investigation of enforcement was introduced by Representative Guardia, republican, New York.

Criticizes Proposal Smoot said if enforcement were proved impossible under present methods, he would be willing to consider a plan for government control. As for the commission's conditionally-proposed plan, however, he said it would be impracticable.

## At 3, He's Mental Giant



Three-year-old Van Dyke Tiers of Downers Grove, Ill., a Chicago suburb, is acclaimed as one of the most brilliant young stars in the nation—and for reason enough. He can read and write English extensively, is studying Greek and Latin, is familiar with mathematics and knows a good deal about geography. Above, he is shown demonstrating his ability to point out any place on a map. In the inset, he is shown practicing the Greek alphabet. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Tiers.

readable and unworkable because it would simply mean that every congressman, every senator, and every president for all time to come will be elected on the sole issue of prohibition, and this issue would overshadow every other public question.

Propose Inquiry "We would, in effect, have a referendum on prohibition every two years. The one quality of any solution that is required for this whole business is that it should be gotten out of politics and made stable."

A senate inquiry to determine how the Wickersham commission arrived at its "conflicting conclusion" and whether advice was received from outside the commission was proposed in the senate by Senator Tydings, democrat, Maryland, an anti-prohibitionist.

He introduced a resolution to direct the judiciary committee to question chairman Wickersham. Just after meeting, the house authorized the printing of 15,000 copies of the commission's report.

## Red Haired "It" Girl Painted As Reckless Spender

(Continued from Page One) that money, \$270,000, where Clara couldn't get it."

Freedman argued that Miss DeLoe had not perjured herself in testimony as David Clark, deputy district attorney, charged yesterday in his opening argument.

"She (Clara) told Daisy to pay everything as she saw fit. Maybe she was a bit indiscreet, but so was Miss Bow."

The attorney challenged the state to prove that it had shown any evidence that Daisy stole from Clara.

"Why," he said, "Clara on the witness stand couldn't explain what her bills were, or how much they were, and sometimes she did not know whether they had been paid."

## THOUSAND GALLONS DESTROYED

(Continued from Page One) burgundy, sweet and dry wines were discovered and poured out by the prohibition officers.

The raid was staged at 3:15 Tuesday evening, and at 11 o'clock all was over, the three men arrested and lodged in the county jail. It is probable that the men will be bound over to the federal grand jury, officers state, as the charges against them involve sale of liquor to Indians.

In addition to the wine, many gallons of moonshine whiskey was discovered by the officers.

## TRAPPER TRAPPED

RAYFIELD, Wis.—Martin Kane, trapper, went out to trap some wolves and got trapped himself. He smeared fish on his boots and tramped through the woods, intending to lure wolves into a trap, but not expecting them to pick up the scent for hours. He was without weapons and, consequently, when the wolves struck his trail within a short time after he set out, he was surprised. He had to take to a tree in which he spent 48 hours before aid came.

## PREXYS DON'T LAST

WASHINGTON—College presidents aren't likely to remain in service long, the United States office of education, department of the interior, has found. A survey conducted by the department shows that the average college president is likely to be 55 years old, married, and the chances are even that he will serve not more than five years.

NEW YORK—Research conducted today will be the means of solving the depression of coming years, according to the American Chemical Society. "Hidden in the technical and scientific publications of the year lie developments which ten or twenty or fifty years from now will rank as fundamental contributions of which new industries and new schools of thought were based," a statement from the society explains.

## Edison Speaks His Mind About The Dry Report

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 21. (AP)—Thomas A. Edison, who arrived in Florida today, said the report of the Wickersham commission on prohibition was "equal to nothing, but slightly in favor of the drys."

harmonious color schemes. Even the ranges which are on display are of various colors with the idea of adding a bit of beauty to the kitchen. These ranges are an innovation in the city and are being gladly received by the housewives. A particularly valued feature is the garbage disposer which is attached to the stove, by merely turning on the gas the garbage can be burned to a cinder.

The plant while the company has erected here is one of more than 40 gas plants of the same type which are being constructed on the Pacific Coast. The plant is a design prepared by Theobald, Starr and Anderson, after years of survey and study of the uses of liquefied petroleum gases and is the last word in construction and efficiency.

The construction of the distribution system was carried out by the contracting firm of Lindgren and Swinerton, while all work was done under the direction of Standard Management and Operating Corporation of Natural Gas Properties, Inc., a subsidiary of Standard Oil of California, all of which are subsidiaries of Pacific Public Service.

Results Please In discussing the arrival of gas in Klamath Falls, Executive Vice President Aitchison of the company, made the following statement:

"We are more than pleased with results of the applications for gas service which have been made in this community. To date more than 1,000 persons have made application for service and this is an indication of a highly pleasing nature that Klamath Falls appreciates the investment which our company has made toward giving a utility service that will modernize the city and place it upon a parity with larger cities throughout the state.

"Gas service is a convenience which no growing city can long do without. Heretofore it has been impossible because of high construction costs in connection with the building of gas plants to bring gas service to cities of this size.

"With this new type of plant which Natural Gas Properties of Oregon has developed, the construction costs have been cut and it is possible to give gas service at rates which compare favorably with rates in the larger cities.

"There is a convenience to gas which can be had with no other type of fuel. Particularly this new gas is attractive to the consumer because it contains no impurities, is cleanly in the highest degree, and the heat value is equivalent to the type of gas which for many years has been served to people in the metropolitan areas.

"For convenience in shipping this gas is brought here via tank cars in liquefied form, and is vaporized at the plant before it is sent out in the distributing systems that have been laid thru the streets."

Insure Service In view of the fact that many people of this state have never before used gas, Aitchison announced that a number of representatives of the company will be on hand to visit the homes of consumers who have already attached appliances, to assure that all appliances and the system is in working order.

No stone has been left unturned to make the installation of gas service a memorable event in the history of Klamath Falls. The system has been found to be in perfect working order. During the week tests have been made and gas put into the distribution mains and the pipes purged of all impurities. Gas was placed in the system at high pressure to ascertain if there were any leaks in the pipes.

It was announced by the company that plants and distribution systems will soon be completed in numerous other Oregon towns including La Grande, Condit, Bend and Cottage Grove, with many others to be started during the early part of 1931.

## Governor's Sons Both



Jack Meier, left, son of Governor Julius L. Meier, being congratulated by Walter Norblad, son of ex-Governor A. W. Norblad, after the Meier inaugural. Both are well-known students at the University of Oregon.

## 12 LEAGUE BILLS ARE IN HOPPER

(Continued from Page One) verse report of the judiciary committee.

The committee reported favorably on another bill which would extend the jurisdiction of the district courts to cases involving as high as \$1000 in claims. The present limit is \$500.

Two of Senator W. H. Strayer's measures were passed by the senate. One was an amendment providing that if the value of the property of an estate, exclusive of liens and encumbrances, is less than \$350 the court may order sale of the property without requiring the

estate to go to the usual expense of publication. The other bill was a technical amendment relative to citations.

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## Gen. Martin Is Critical of New Wickersham Plan

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 21. (AP)—General Charles H. Martin, congressman elect from the third Oregon district, declared today "revision of the 18th amendment according to the Wickersham commission plan would make a beer council out of congress."

Martin advocates repeal. "If congress were given power to enforce liquor regulations," he said, "elections would be determined solely on the liquor question."

## RAILROAD OFFICIALS ARRIVING

(Continued from Page One) preparations for the hearing. Several witnesses are also coming here from St. Paul.

This morning Col. Mears and C. B. Harding, resident engineer, went on an inspection trip along the relocated survey extending south from Klamath Falls, through Merrill and Malin dis-

tricts, to "mile post 30" where it connects with the present G. N. extension which is now being built. This extension, in the Tule Lake district, extends southward to join the Western Pacific line at Belber, Calif. Friday's hearing will be another epic in railroad history of Klamath Falls. Testimony from the hearing will be transcribed and sent to Washington, D. C., where it will be determined whether the Great Northern's line shall extend through the vast rich agriculture area of Merrill and Malin or along the lines of the original survey through Tule Lake, almost parallel to the Southern Pacific line.

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