

BILL CUTTING INTEREST RATE PASSES HOUSE

Measure of Importance to the Timber Regions of Northern Idaho May Be Amended to Include All State Lands.

ATTEMPT TO REVIVE THE BUHL BILL FAILS

Only Brief Session of House Held, Early Adjournment Being Taken Out of Respect to Memory of Wife of Former Lieutenant Governor.

The house of representatives adjourned at noon today to tomorrow morning out of respect to the memory of the late Mrs. H. H. Taylor, wife of the former lieutenant governor, after passing one bill and considering many others in the committee of the whole. An attempt was made to secure a reconsideration of the vote by which the Buhl county division bill was defeated yesterday, when Mc-Murray of Cassia made a motion to that effect, but it failed to receive a second and the motion was not recognized. It is understood that the bill may be reintroduced at the present session of the legislature with an enabling act attached, permitting the electors in the territory to form the new county to vote upon the division issue.

CUT INTEREST RATES.

It was the Bohman bill, No. 54, that was passed by the house. This measure is of particular importance to the northern part of the state where there is difficulty encountered in the clearing off of stump lands. The Bohman bill cuts the interest purchasers have to pay on state stump land to 2 per cent for the first five years and 4 per cent for the next five years, and eliminates the necessity of paying the principal during the first 10 years. Thereafter and for a period of 30 years the interest is paid at 6 per cent, together with the principal divided into 30 payments. It is planned to amend this bill in the senate so that it applies to all state lands. The primary object of the measure is to give a low rate of interest to the homestead and an opportunity for him to get the morning and cultivate his lands before paying principal.

BAR NON-RESIDENT AGENTS.

Consideration of bills pending on the general calendar in the committee of the whole held the attention of the house most of the morning and the resident life insurance agent measure caused a lively debate. The object of this bill to require those selling life insurance in Idaho to be residents and to keep the non-residents out. These non-residents were classed as "smooth-tongued" strangers, as "high rollers" and the bill was referred to by Majority Leader Moody as an amendment to the same laws of the state. McGowan of Latah, Johnston, Hubbard, Young, Grice and others defended the bill. Grice was its principal opponent. He said he favored free competition in the matter of selling life insurance and an open season for all agents, residents or non-residents. A number of personal instances were cited where the "smooth-tongued" non-residents came into the state and either grabbed the premiums home agents were entitled to or sold insurance to those who did not want it. Johnston of Bingham said he has been pestered by them and McGowan of Latah told of one of Johnston's experiences, by which the non-resident agent had made him believe that he could pick apples off hitching posts in December. Grice called a certain class of non-resident life insurance agents who he said infested his section, as "crooks." The bill was recommended for passage.

BILLS RECOMMENDED.

The committee of the whole with Shearer of Nez Perce in the chair considered and took action on the following bills:

House bill No. 51, by Anderson and McMullan of Bonneville—Regulating the width of wagon tires. Progress reported.

House bill No. 78, by Johnston, Kiger and Daughters—Giving force and effect to initiative, referendum and recall. Indefinitely postponed on request of authors as other bills for the same thing are pending.

House bill No. 87, by Jones and McMullan—Providing highway districts shall receive 90 per cent of revenue and county 10 per cent. Recommended for passage.

House bill No. 13, by Giles—Creating Tenth judicial district amended to include Nez Perce, Lewis and Idaho counties at request of Judge Steele. Recommended for passage.

House bill No. 17, by Lewis, Kent and Kiger—Relating to exercise of eminent domain towards railroads. Allowed to retain place.

House bill No. 49, by Kiger—Providing for appointment of code commission by supreme court to codify laws. Recommended for passage.

House bill No. 190, by Struthers and Monson of Oneida—Relating to appointment of judges of election. Recommended for passage.

House bill No. 120, by McGowan of Latah—Barring non-resident life in-

insurance agents from Idaho. Recommended for passage.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED. Anderson of Canyon sought to incorporate an amendment in the Tenth judicial district bill to add Gem county to the Third district but the amendment failed. The house sent the Struthers bill relating to conventions to nominate city officials to the committee of the whole for amendment.

Majority Leader Moody moved a committee of five be appointed by the speaker to draft resolutions of condolence to H. H. Taylor because of the death of his wife and the chair appointed Representatives Moody, McGowan, Husman, Hubbard and Richards, after which adjournment to tomorrow was taken out of respect to the deceased.

RARE COLLECTION OF ART TO BE EXHIBITED AT OWYHEE HOTEL

An art exhibition of unusual interest will be held in the rose room of the hotel Owyhee within a month. This is sponsored by Dr. von Margolyes, an American connoisseur and collector of fine paintings. Dr. Margolyes' collection is a very carefully chosen one with particular attention devoted to the younger living American artists such as Henri and Hirschberg and a few masters as Sargent, Whistler, Di Lorenzo, Israel and Duxen. In conjunction with the collection it is intended to interest the Idaho artists, and those in Boise to show the community and the people of the state what their own artists are doing and permit them to show their appreciation of their home artists by giving an opportunity to purchase their works.

Referring to the practical side of Dr. von Margolyes' exhibit and that of the Idaho artists the end is to sell as many pictures as possible, as disseminating the fact that such an unusual exhibit is being held which is to be free and open to all. The idea is to make this exhibit such a success that it may become an annual affair like the charity ball.

The following women have been interviewed and have agreed to boost the exhibit all possible by acting as the active patronesses: Mrs. S. H. Hays, Mrs. E. O. Sisson, Mrs. F. J. Coats, Miss Marie Irvin, Mrs. J. G. H. Graveley, Mrs. J. T. Morrison, Mrs. H. P. Ashby, Mrs. R. L. Nourse, Mrs. Timothy Regan and Mrs. M. Alexander. The following have also been selected and it is hoped they will consent to serve: Mrs. J. L. McClear, Mrs. E. J. Doekery, Mrs. J. G. Green, Mrs. Henry Falk, Mrs. McCalla, Mrs. E. M. Hoover, Mrs. R. M. Davidson, Mrs. H. C. Wyman and Mrs. G. C. Scharf.

ONE MONTH TO SERVE BUT SEEKS RELEASE

Although he has but one month yet to serve of a sentence, which was commuted to one year, H. B. Davis is seeking to be released from the Idaho penitentiary on habeas corpus proceedings, claiming the one month off for good behavior.

Davis pleaded guilty to forgery in Bonneville county and was sentenced to serve a sentence of from 1 to 14 years in the penitentiary. At a recent meeting of the pardon board his sentence was commuted to one year, which would be up March 2. Rather than serve the additional month legal proceedings were begun in the district court today. The writ was made returnable at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon before Judge C. P. McCarthy. The warden of the penitentiary has been cited to ascertain why Davis should not be released.

ARMY MULE BROUGHT BACK TO ITS OWN BY ORDER OF GEN. BELL

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 2.—Brigadier General George Bell, Jr., commanding the border division here, has rescued the army mule from the discard. Since the motor truck was adopted for transportation purposes on the border, the mules have been standing idle in the corrals at Fort Bliss and at the army camps. The motor trucks proved more speedy, less trouble to drive and capable of carrying heavier loads than the mule-drawn wagons.

General Bell's orders have changed all this and the army mules have come back into their own. The order instructed all regimental commanders to see that the mules were used for every possible purpose and the food, forage and fuel for the troops on the border are now being hauled by mule-drawn wagons. The motor trucks are used only for emergency work. When the motor trucks were first purchased they were apportioned to each regimental command. This was found inconvenient as many of the trucks were left idle for days and others were kept going night and day. To remedy this the motor trucks were collected in a few general truck camps and organized into commands similar to the other units of the army.

CONFER ON BOY SCOUT WORK.

New York, Feb. 2.—A two-day conference which was opened today at Columbia university marks the first definite step in the inauguration of the department of education of the Boy Scouts of America. Attending the conference are representatives of all divisions of the organization, including scoutmasters, council members and scout executives. The program includes not only lectures and discussions but practical demonstrations.

A nitrogen plant will be erected at Arlington, Va.

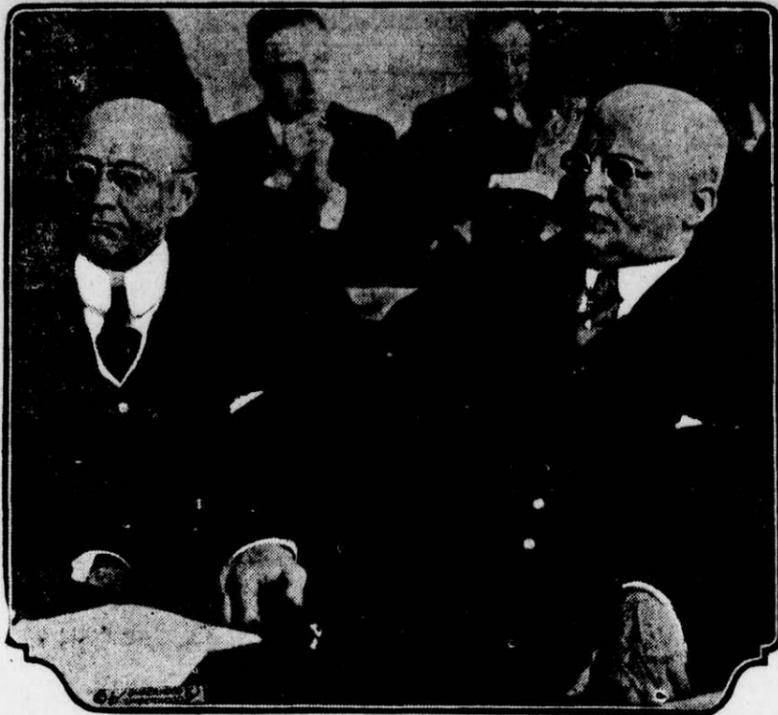
ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be an open session of the Whitney Grange tonight at 8 o'clock at the Whitney school house. Several short addresses are to be given. A delegation from the city is to be in attendance and all residents of the district are invited.

The Audubon club will meet Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. There will be election of officers for the next year. An invitation is extended to all lovers of outdoor life.

Heated taxis and automobiles, day and night, O. S. Cole, phone 75.—Adv.

DIG MEN OF NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE TELL LEAK PROBERS HOW LAMBS ARE SHORN IN WALL STREET



Samuel F. Streit (left) and Henry G. S. Noble testifying in leak investigation.

Samuel F. Streit, chairman of the New York clearing house, and Henry G. S. Noble, president of the New York stock exchange, were the two witnesses who appeared before the congressional leak probers during the first day's session of the committee in New York. They told of the practice of brokers to loan stocks bought on margin to other brokers who, in turn, used them for "short" sale transactions. Thus it was explained the stock of the customer who hopes to profit by a rising market could become a weapon in the hands of the "short" sale speculator who hopes for a falling market.

COMPROMISE IN CONTROVERSY ON LAND BOARD BOOKS

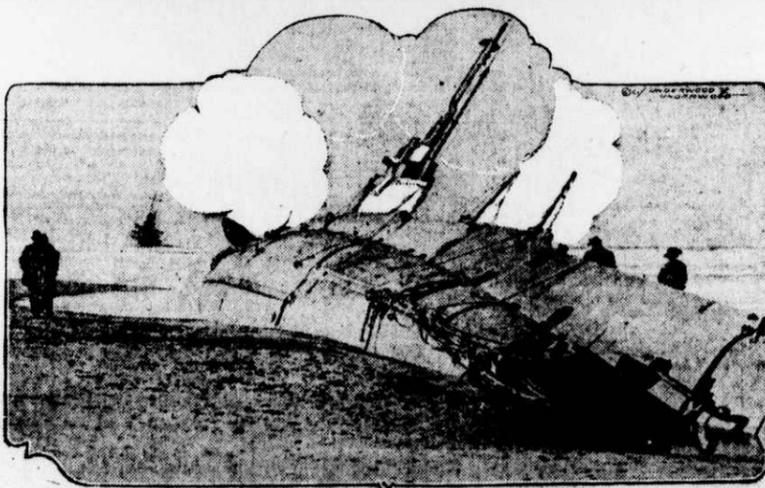
Bill Introduced in Senate Makes Appropriation for Audit of Accounts From Statehood to Present Time

The controversy before the state land board over an examination into the books and accounts of the state land board which for several days has been waged at almost every meeting of the board, apparently has resulted in a compromise for there appeared in the state senate today, what is admitted to be an administration bill, appropriating \$20,000, or as much thereof as is necessary, to conduct such an examination and expediting of the books. State Auditor Clarence Van Deusen is given general supervision over the audit. The bill came from Senator George E. Hill of Jefferson county. It is said to be the net result of the recent conference held by the state affairs committee of the senate with the state land board.

It is set out in the measure that the state, under the supervision and direction of the state land board, is authorized and directed to make an examination and audit of the books and records of the land board and all affiliated books and records of other departments of state government in any way connected therewith from the date of the admission of the state of Idaho to statehood down to Jan. 1, 1917. Power is also given to install a new set of books showing all financial transactions of state board of land commissioners covering the period designated.

April 1, 1917, is the date set for the examination to start and July 1, 1918, for it to be completed and placed in the hands of the governor. A synopsis of the examination is to be compiled for publication. Copies of the examination and audit are to be filed with the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of the Fifteenth session.

TWO U. S. WAR CRAFT IN SAME GRAVEYARD ON PACIFIC COAST



Submarine H-3 in foreground and cruiser Milwaukee in distance, on beach at Eureka, California.

This remarkable photograph shows two vessels of the United States navy, both of which were recently stranded on the Pacific coast near Eureka, Cal. Both ships will be completely dismantled and sent to the Mare island navy yard. All the parts of these vessels that can be salvaged will be shipped aboard cars and used in repair work on other boats and for remodeling purposes. Even the plates will be stripped from the Milwaukee, leaving her a skeleton.

WOMEN WANT BOARD MEMBER.

A second bill of interest that appeared in the senate today calls for the appointment of a woman on the state board of education. This is a measure that the State Federation of Women's clubs has championed. The women believe that on so important a state board they have a right to representation and they expect to see the present legislature pass such a measure. It authorizes the governor to make the appointment.

STATE OFFICIAL OF WASHINGTON SHOT; SLAYER ARRESTED

Olympia, Wash., Feb. 2.—A charge of first degree murder will be filed against John Vandell who shot and killed State Industrial Insurance Commissioner E. W. Olson in the commissioner's office in the state house yesterday afternoon. Vandell appeared cool and collected, the prosecutor said, and declared that he "got the man he wanted." Vandell was not satisfied with an award of \$58 made to him on account of an accident which occurred last month, and insisted that he should have been pensioned for life.

Vandell saw Olson early yesterday afternoon and told that his claim for a life pension had been rejected. Shortly afterward Vandell said: "The state of Washington will have to take care of me the rest of my life," but his words were not taken as a menace to Olson. Apparently Vandell returned to the state house as soon as he had obtained a pistol. The pistol was new, with the price tag still on it when Vandell surrendered it to the sheriff after killing Olson.

"Olson was starving me to death, so I killed him," said Vandell to the sheriff.

BISHOP TOURET CONSECRATED.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Feb. 2.—With imposing ceremonies Rev. Frank Hale Touret, for the past six years rector of a local church, was consecrated today as bishop of the Episcopal diocese of western Colorado. Bishop Tuttle of Missouri officiated and several other noted prelates of the church took part in the ceremonies, which were the most elaborate of their kind ever seen here.

Optometry means Eye Service.—Adv. of

NEW METHOD FOR ASSESSMENT OF ROADS PROPOSED

Measure Introduced in the House Makes Radical Change in System of Fixing of Valuations.

A bill appeared in the house of representatives today that attracted not a little attention. It seeks to provide a new means of arriving at the assessed valuation of railroads, telegraph and telephone systems. Under the present system of assessment, the state board of equalization resorts to a blanket plan. Data is gathered on the various systems and the board of equalization with this before it decides whether the valuation shall be raised or lowered. The branch lines are assessed separately from the main lines.

The bill introduced in the house today provides that the total valuation of all of the property of the railroad, telephone or telegraph company shall be first ascertained after which the mileage shall be learned and the total valuation shall be divided by the number of miles or rail or wire, and the result will be the valuation of the assessment per mile of the system.

ANOTHER REPORT OF SINKING OF RAIDER

Rio Janeiro, Feb. 2.—Persistent reports have been received by the newspapers here that the German raider has been sunk in an engagement with a British squadron. The British cruiser Amethyst is said to have been in an engagement with a German submarine.

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The Little News of Boise

SENATE MAY EMPLOY TAYLOR.

Because clerical assistance is necessary to clear the decks in the state senate, it has practically been decided to take advantage of the experience of Stephen D. Taylor, secretary of the senate two years ago, during the balance of the session. It is believed that with his knowledge of the work the clerical force can be so handled as to push bills in the upper house rapidly along.

NEW CHEESE FACTORY.

The Mutual Creamery company has ordered machinery for a cheese factory to be built at Greenleaf, west of Caldwell. Most of the farmers in that vicinity have taken stock in the factory.

SOCIAL TONIGHT.

A big time is planned by the young people of the First Methodist church at the Epworth League social tonight in the church parlors. Laurel Elam and Miss Bessie Moore have charge of the program and promise something of a novel nature. Gert Sargent has charge of the refreshments and will see that all are well supplied. The affair is open to all young people of the city.

AFTERNOON WEDDING.

Samuel Robert Lambert and Miss Margaret Louise Gray, both of Barber, were married at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the Christian church by Rev. H. J. Reynolds.

WORD OF DEATH RECEIVED.

Word was received here last night of the death at Spokane Thursday of Mrs. Katherine Parr Taylor, wife of H. H. Taylor, former lieutenant governor of Idaho. The funeral is to be held Monday at Sandpoint.

SECRETARY HERE ON VISIT.

Mrs. Florence M. Chandler, secretary of the Pocatello Commercial club, is spending a few days in the city visiting her daughter, Miss Miriam Chandler, one of the stenographers in the service of the state senate. Mrs. Chandler and her daughter are at the Owyhee hotel.

GIVE UP SEARCH.

The search of the Boise river for the body of John I. Hurst has been abandoned as far as the sheriff's office is concerned. Sheriff Post this morning returned the boat borrowed from Pierce park and announced that no further attempts would be made to locate the body in the river by his men.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

A marriage license was issued this afternoon to Thomas G. Smith of Boise and Miss Lillian Bertha Patterson of Meridian.

PLANNING TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

County superintendents from nine southwestern counties are in Boise today conferring with C. E. Rose, superintendent of the Boise schools, relative to the joint teachers' institute to be held in Boise next September. It is planned to bring several men of national reputation in educational circles to the next meeting to make addresses. The superintendents present at the conference were Miss Lulu Vance of Ada county, Miss Helen Wilson of Boise, Miss Margaret Noble of Canyon, Miss Myrtle Journey of Gooding, Miss Blanche Skipper of Elmore, Miss Holverson of Gem, Miss Olive Petrashek of Washington, Miss Frances Mills of Blaine and Miss Stella Cook of Lincoln.

LUMBER CAPITALIST HERE.

J. P. Weyerhaeuser of Tacoma, one of the prominent lumber dealers interested in the Weyerhaeuser interests, is in the city looking over the plants here and conferring with officers of the Boise-Payette Lumber company.

DIVORCE CASE FILED.

Dr. John Boeck, well known physician of Boise, has filed suit in district court in which he asks divorce from Wardell Boeck upon the grounds of desertion. The complaint asks that an equal division of the community property be made and that the defendant be enjoined from claiming any interest in his separate property. Mrs. Boeck sued her husband for divorce, the case being tried behind closed doors in district court more than a year ago. The decision of the district court granting the decree was reversed by the supreme court.

PERSONAL.

E. D. Pigeon is down from Idaho City for a few days.

James Hamilton of Rockville is stopping at the Pacific.

Frank Reed is a business visitor in the city from Mackay.

Mrs. Eva Caldwell has gone to Gardfield, Kan., on a visit.

Mrs. Alice Stebert of Riverside, Ore., is visiting in the city.

P. E. Chase is a business visitor in the city from Spokane.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McGinley of Council are guests at the Bristol.

Miss Nettie Briggs has gone to Salem, Ore., to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Dion are visiting in the city for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ewing are visitors in the city from Nyssa.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Anderson are Boise visitors from Glens Ferry.

W. E. Polson is over from the Bruneau valley, a guest at the Grand.

W. T. Stafford is in the city from Gooding on a short business visit.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Dunn are in the city from Bliss, guests at the Idaho.

P. M. Edwards arrived here last night from McCammon and has rooms at the Grand.

A. J. Jones arrived here yesterday from Weiser. He is stopping at the Pacific.

C. E. Ransom has returned from a business trip to Birmingham, Ala., and St. Louis.

Mrs. H. J. Schenk is spending a few days in the city. She arrived last night from Westfall, Ore.

R. H. Johnson left last evening for San Francisco, having been called to that point on legal business.

John Allen, who has been in the city

COMPLAINT ALLEGES VIOLATION OF THE PROHIBITION LAW

The unlawful possession of intoxicating liquor and possession of liquor for beverage purposes is alleged in a complaint on which Charles McGuire was today bound over to stand trial in district court by Judge Floyd C. White. The bond of the defendant was fixed at \$500 which he has not furnished.

RULING ON ROUTES FOR THE AMERICAN STEAMSHIPS ASKED

New York, Feb. 2.—A definite ruling and instructions from official sources as to future movements of American steamships was asked of Secretary Lansing at the state department by P. A. S. Franklin, president of the International Mercantile Marine. Mr. Franklin said that unless instructed to the contrary by Washington, the liner St. Louis would sail Saturday for Liverpool, the regular port of destination. President Franklin officially advised the state department that the St. Louis is an American ship, owned by American citizens, insured by the United States war risk bureau, carries as passengers American citizens and as cargo such merchandise as is in compliance with the government war risk bureau's regulation with reference to contraband.

The telegram also advised that the liner Philadelphia, operated under the same conditions, now was about 1200 miles from Liverpool on her way from New York; that the Finland was due to leave Liverpool for New York Feb. 3 or 4 and the Kronland had sailed Wednesday from Liverpool for New York. All carry passengers.

ITDIDIT.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

WANTED—A boy to learn presssing, City Dye Works. F2

RECLEANED white clover seed, 35c per lb. Phone 161J. F5

DANCE AT STAR. Every Saturday night. Price 50c. TL F3c

WANTED TO RENT—40 or more acres. Address Capital News. Box 1725. F7

FOR SALE—1 1/2 h. p. gasoline engine. Price \$20. Grow's Tire Shop, 1312 Main. F4

WANTED—A roomer and boarder. Furnace heat. 1816 State. Phone 1874M. F4

FOR SALE—200 egg Mandy Lee incubator; good condition. 210 North Tenth street, Boise, Ida. F4c

AUTO mechanic wants position in or out of city. Ignition a specialty. Capital News, Box 1723. F1c

80 ACRES near Prairie, Ida., to trade for horses and farming machinery. Capital News, Box 1724. F4c

FOR SALE—1 1/2 doz. thoroughbred White Orpington chickens and canned fruit. E. O. Cook, 1936 State St. F4

LOST—Folding note book containing two one-dollar bills, 4 or 5 dollars in silver, also Royal Neighbors receipt, at Pinney or on street. Return to Capital News. F2c

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CANDY—Here you need not spend a lot of money in order to satisfy your desire for sweets. We make a specialty of candies at popular prices. You can rest assured that every pound you get here is fresh. Our prices will not allow it to remain in the case more than a day or two. Come in tomorrow and sample any kind at our expense.

Fine Peanut Brittle, a pound... 15c

Salted Peanuts, a pound... 15c

Broken Stick Candy, a pound... 15c

Wrapped Carmels, half lb... 10c

Commercial Chocolates, half lb... 10c

Toasted Marshmallows, half lb... 10c

Twain Marshmallows, special, per pound... 25c

Gum, Gum, all kinds... 10c

3 pkgs. note... 10c

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