

COMMITTEE REPORTS ON FINANCE AND OTHER BILLS

After an all-night session the joint appropriation committee of the legislature finished the finance code bill and the general appropriation bill early Saturday and will have them ready, in printed form, for introduction today. The finance code bill will be introduced in the senate and the general appropriation bill in the house. The legislature was not in session Saturday.

The finance code bill repeals every continuing appropriation since territorial days, or 137 appropriations in all. As explained out of committee all necessary money for the departments and commissions of state would be provided by the general appropriation bill, but the bitter opposition possible is expected when the bill is considered. This opposition, as explained, will be upon every item of repeal, as every item will have champions not wishing that particular appropriation repealed, although desirous of having other items in the bill cut out.

The legislature was likened to a boxing exhibition in which to date there have been nothing but preliminaries and in which the main event will begin this week.

Searched all Laws

It was explained that Senator Ellett, democrat, Greenlee, and Senator Goodell, republican, Pima, in arranging material for the finance code bill, searched page by page all Arizona laws back to territorial days beginning with the first state civil code, and including all revised codes and session laws. They found 137 appropriations.

In the past, it was stated, the legislature in considering the general appropriation bill every two years, labored more or less in the dark, with some departments of state getting too much money and others getting not enough, because of appropriations provided by established law.

Under the finance code bill all appropriations repealed will go to the general fund, and in this way, it was pointed out, the general fund may be swelled sufficiently to tide over the state until it can collect more taxes.

The code anticipates favorable action by the people on Senate Bill No. 14, a constitutional amendment bill providing that the state treasury only shall be a state depository. At present numerous departments and commissions have their own funds and bank deposits.

The general appropriation bill, it was announced Saturday, had a hard time in getting through the committee, as there were two distinct outside factions at war over it, each with figures which they wished used, one in preference to the other. This matter finally was adjusted in the all-night session and the bill was sent to the printer Saturday with instructions to rush it.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks for the sympathy and assistance rendered us by the many friends during the illness and death of our beloved sister and niece.

Frank Main
Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Conway

ENGAGEMENT OF POPULAR TEACHER ANNOUNCED

The engagement of Miss Ethel Clymer, teacher of music and art in the public schools of Safford to John L. Gordon, of the University of Michigan, has been announced. The following item regarding the announcement, is taken from the Tribune-Republican, of Greeley, Colorado:

The Sigma Upsilon sorority has received an announcement of the engagement of one of its members, Miss Ethel Clymer, to John L. Gordon of University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor. The wedding date was not set.

Miss Clymer is known among her friends here as "Polly." She was graduated from State Teachers' college last year at the end of the winter quarter. She was treasurer of the Sigma Upsilon sorority last year. She is a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Clymer of Mead. Her fiance's home is in Chicago.

May 10 Miss Clymer will come to Greeley to spend some time visiting her sorority sisters.

The announcement came in clever form. A red heart bore the pictures of Miss Clymer and her fiance. While beneath was a design of a diamond ring, the engagement symbol.

MISS EFFIE MAIN DIES FROM PNEUMONIA

Friday night about 10:00 o'clock, death entered our community and took from it one of its most useful members, Miss Effie Main, who had been ill for two weeks with pneumonia.

Miss Main was born in Moreland county, Indiana, in 1871, and about eleven years ago she came to Safford to make her home with her uncle, C. S. Conway. She took up the profession of nursing shortly after coming here, and several years ago established a sanitarium in the cottage near the Jones Hotel. Later she purchased a small place in Layton, where she built a more modern building, which she used as a hospital. Her loss will be keenly felt in the community as she filled a needed place in caring for the sick. She is survived by a father, who lives in the east a brother in California, and several other relatives, including her uncle, C. S. Conway, of Safford.

Funeral services were held in the Methodist church, Sunday afternoon and were conducted by Rev. J. L. Lyons. The choir sang several beautiful selections. After the services at the church the body was taken to the Union cemetery where it was interred.

HOME ECONOMICS DEPT. OF WOMAN'S CLUB MEETS

The home economics department of the Woman's Club met in the club rooms on Thursday, March 9th, the chairman presiding.

The lesson was on "Beautifying the Home."

Mrs. C. F. Stanley was appointed chairman in place of Mrs. Brandt, resigned.

Members will entertain at general club meeting in an old Irish way. The public is cordially invited.

HERE FROM CALIFORNIA

Frank Main of Whittier, Cal., arrived here Friday evening, being called here by the illness of his sister, Miss Main. He will remain here for several days.

WEATHER REPORT SHOWS DECREASE IN SNOW FALL

Temperatures have been sufficiently high to cause a marked decrease in the snow cover on the major grazing areas of the state. Only two inches cover the ground in the Grand Canyon section where last week six inches at Williams have disappeared and the remains of drifts only appear in the vicinity of Flagstaff. The range in the southern part of the state where there has been little precipitation in many weeks is getting very dry; there was a good rain at Thatcher the first of importance since late in January, but the range was affected very little by it. The water supply in the Pinto section is reported as getting low and stock becoming thin. The range in the vicinity of Ft. Apache is much improved, water plentiful and cattle good. Under the influence of drying winds roads in the northern part of the state are improving and passable except in short sections in the timber.

CROP PROGRESS IN ARIZONA

A deficiency in temperature for the past two weeks has prevented the warming of the soil necessary for the successful germination of seed and farmers as a rule are refraining from planting until there is a decided change to warmer, some are irrigating in anticipation of the desired change. Early potatoes and asparagus coming up in the Yuma Valley have been of slow development owing to low temperatures. Alfalfa is looking fine but is not up to normal; cotton planting thus far has been restricted to the Yuma section.

TO BEGIN REVIVAL SERVICES IN NEAR FUTURE

Rev. R. L. Carter, pastor of the Baptist church, announces that arrangements have been made by his church to hold a series of meetings, beginning right after the close of the revival services now being held at the Methodist church. The meetings will be conducted by Rev. Carl Bassett, who is known on the Pacific coast as the "Whirlwind Evangelist." Rev. Bassett is now holding revival meetings at Willcox, where he is meeting with great success in his church work.

CIRCUS WILL BE GIVEN IN BRIER'S HALL

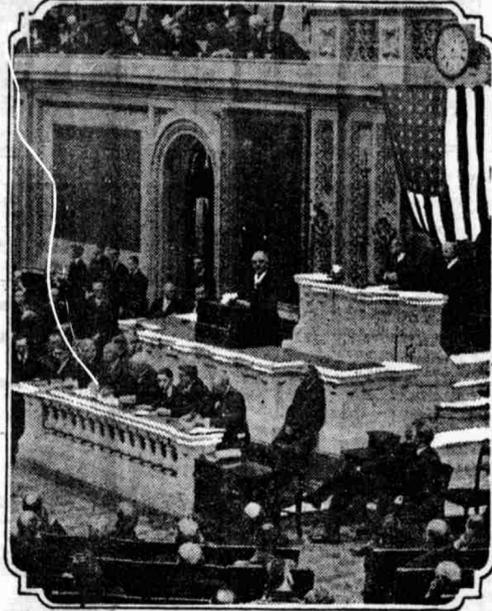
The circus given in Masonic Hall last week by the Woman's Club proved to be such a success that the members have been urged to repeat the performance, which will be given in Briar's Hall on the night of March 23rd to which a small admission charge will be made. The program will include the same features, but there will be added more animals and a number of extra stunts. Remember the date.

WHY HE DIDN'T SEND THE CHECK

Somebody mailed to us the following. It had no name signed to it, but it is well worth reading.

Dear Sir: For the following reasons I am unable to send you the check you have asked for; I have been held up, held down, sand-bagged, walked on, flattened, out and squeezed; first by the United States Government for federal war tax, the excess profit tax, Liberty loan bonds, thrift, capital stock tax, merchant's license and auto tax, and every society and organization the mind of a man can invent to extract what I may or may not possess; from the society of St. John the Baptist to the G. A. R., the woman's relief, the navy league, the black cross, the purple cross, the double cross, the Children's home, the Dorcas Society, the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A., the boy Scouts, and every hospital and church in the country. The government has so governed my business that I don't know who owns it. I am inspected, suspected, examined, and re-examined, informed, misinformed, required and commanded, so I don't know who I am, where I am, or why I am. All I know is that I am supposed to be an inexhaustible supply of money for every known need, desire or hope of the human race; and because I will not sell all I have and go out and beg, borrow or steal money to give away, I have been cussed, discussed, boycotted; talked to, talked about, lied to, lied about, held up, hung up, robbed and nearly ruined; the only reason I am clinging to life is to see what in hell I am coming next."

President Urges Subsidy for Merchant Marine



President Harding is here seen recommending to Congress that the "costly experiment" in the shipping business be brought to an end and advising that ship subsidy legislation is necessary to put the American flag foremost on the seas. The administration has pointed out that an American merchant marine is as vital to farmer and the inland manufacturer as to the business men on the seaboard. Ships are the railroads of international commerce carrying American products and American manufactures to all corners of the earth. Ships' spell increased trade and steady employment.

VIOLATIONS OF THE PROHIBITORY LAWS REPORTED

The following communications between the governor and the county attorney of Graham county, regarding the enforcement of the prohibition law may prove of interest to the people of this county. The letters follow:

Phoenix, Arizona

My Dear Mr. Spriggs:

I am in receipt of the following inquiry from Washington:

"There is a persistent claim in wet circles in Washington that officers of the law heretofore friendly to prohibition now realize that it cannot be enforced and are becoming more or less hostile to it. Is there any evidence of this in your state?"

Personally I am loath to believe that any such condition exists in Arizona, but before making any reply to this inquiry, I would appreciate your furnishing me with the following information:

Number of arrests made for violations of State and Federal prohibition amendments in your county during March 1st, 1922.

Number of cases successfully prosecuted.

Number of cases dismissed.

I would greatly appreciate your giving this matter your personal attention and favoring me with a reply at the earliest possible date.

Sincerely yours,
THOMAS E. CAMPBELL

Hon. E. L. Spriggs,
County Attorney,
Safford, Arizona.

March 14th, 1922

Honorable Thomas E. Campbell,
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As per your request of March 11th, I respectfully submit the following information:

During the year ending March 1st, 1922, I have filed in the Superior Court of Graham County, twenty-eight cases charging the violation of the prohibitory law; twenty-two of these cases resulted in a conviction; four were dismissed for lack of evidence, and two of these cases the jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

During this time there were only two arrests that I know of made by the Federal Prohibition Officers, and these two should have been credited to the sheriff's office.

This county has not received any assistance that has been worth any whatsover, from the Federal Prohibition Officers.

Reporting for Graham county, I believe that the citizens, as well as the officers, are in favor of a strict enforcement of the prohibition laws and the report referred to in your letter, is in no way applicable to Graham county.

It is a notorious fact however, that moonshining and bootlegging in Graham county is extensively carried on, and I am quite sure that if the Federal Government would furnish capable men to this county they would find plenty to do for a while at least. I assure you that if prohibition agents will furnish the evidence, or even half way assist the people and officers of Graham county in obtaining evidence, no person violating this law will go unpunished.

If there is any further information you desire, the same will be gladly furnished.

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

A meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held tonight at the Town Hall. It is desired that all members be present, and a special invitation is extended to all farmers to attend and make their wants known so that the chamber may help them. For some time there has been a shortage of cars for the shipment of hay and when the matter was brought to the

REVIVAL SERVICES GROWING IN INTEREST

The revival services being held at the M. E. church grows steadily interest, the meetings each evening being attended by large congregations.

Both services Sunday were unusually interesting, but especially so was the evening meeting. At this service Rev. Hawkins spoke on the evils of dancing and card playing and told in uncompromising words of the evil influence that dancing has upon the lives of the young people who attend the public dances. Regarding gambling, he said that there was no difference between playing cards for prizes and playing for money.

Monday night the subject was "The Wages of Sin" and the young men and young women were urged to make a clean start in life. During the meeting a duet was sung by Robert Sales and Rev. Hawkins, entitled "Love Lifted Me."

At 2:30 each afternoon Evangelist Hawkins conducts a service which is both instructive and inspiring. Each one is urged to bring his Bible. At the meeting each evening until next Sunday two choirs will lead the song service for the first forty minutes.

Friday afternoon at 2:30, there will be a special service for the shut-in and the older people. Each one with a car is urged to bring someone on that day.

Next Sunday every one is asked to bring dinner, which will be spread in the basement of the church. Sunday is named "Safford Day" at the revival.

GIVEN HAPPY WELCOME TO THEIR HOME TOWN

When it became known Thursday evening that Alex Bellman and his bride had arrived home on the afternoon train from El Paso, where they were married the first of the week, a number of Mr. Bellman's young lady and young men friends proceeded to carrying out long made plans for giving them a happy but noisy welcome to their home town.

The young people congregated at The Mission and after telephoning to several places where they thought the young couple might be, finally located them at Hotel Olive and proceeded to immediately call on them. Arriving at the hotel the young couple were found securely locked in the bath room, where they believed themselves safely hidden from their friends, but locks were of no avail against the efforts of the young folks.

From the hotel they were taken to the Mission, where treats were ordered at the expense of the bridegroom, and where speeches by the bride and groom were demanded. The young couple were then assisted onto one of the large express trucks that had been secured from the depot and to the accompaniment of the melodious music from cowbells, squakers and toy horns were hilariously drawn through the streets, finally ending the joy ride at the court house where the groom was locked in the sheriff's office. After making sure the groom was locked up for the night, the bride was taken to the home of her brother-in-law. Later, feeling sorry for the groom, the crowd decided to let him out but when they went to the court house were unable to unlock the door of the room where they had left him and when repeated callings failed to bring any answer, they became uneasy for fear something serious had happened to their friend and made an investigation which revealed that he had escaped through the ransom.

Such was the happy welcome given to the bride and groom.

attention of the president of the chamber of commerce, R. A. Armstrong, he immediately took it up with the railroad company and the situation has been temporarily relieved. The case, however, has been laid before the corporation commission at Phoenix.

Watch for the next announcement of the big circus to be given at Briar's Hall, by the Woman's Club.

FIRST SNOW IN VALLEY IN SEVERAL YEARS FELL SUNDAY

Early Sunday morning, the valley was visited by one of the heaviest snow storms that has fallen in several years. All Saturday night a strong wind blew and about eight o'clock Sunday morning snow began falling and continued for several hours, which covered the ground to a depth of two inches.

The storm was general throughout the county and will be of untold value to the farmers and stockmen, who feared a shortage of water this summer. At Mt. Turnbull a depth of six or eight inches was reported, and in the Aravaipa and Klondyke country several inches were also reported.

Both the Graham and Gila mountains were heavily covered. In the Grahams the snow is said to be at least 25 feet deep on the level, which insures an ample supply of running water with which to meet the needs of the homes that have the city water installed on their premises.

Besides assuring an ample supply of water for all purposes, the snow afforded everyone a great deal of pleasure, especially the children, who were soon out and busily engaged in snowballing and the making of snow men.

The storm only lasted a few hours and by late evening the beautiful blanket of snow had almost entirely disappeared.

RELIEF SOCIETY DANCE A BIG SUCCESS

The dance given in the Layton Hall Friday night was one of the most enjoyable ever given in that hall. A good crowd of both old and young were in attendance and indulged in old time dances. Three angel cakes were given as prizes for the best waltzers and were won by Miss Clymer and Marvin Clifford, who took first prize, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Samuels second, and Mr. and Mrs. Ab Gillespie, third. Another prize, a box of candy, given by the Rhinhart candy factory was won by Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Payne.

ARIZONA EASTERN IS VALUED AT \$13,392,214

A tentative valuation of \$13,392,214 was fixed Thursday by the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington, D. C. for the total of property owned and used by the Arizona Eastern rail road, a property affiliated with the Southern Pacific. The capital investment of the road itself was reported at \$14,232,694.

A tentative valuation of \$2,325,000 also was fixed for the property of the Phoenix Eastern, a railroad operated in conjunction with the Arizona Eastern.

VISITORS AT HOT SPRINGS

Attorney and Mrs. Lee N. Stratton were weekend visitors at the Indian Hot Springs.

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