

REFORM LAW HAS ITS ENEMIES

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of Utah an income of above \$160,000, although neither have as many students as the University of Oregon.

Owing to the invoking of the referendum on the University appropriation, the University is now on a basis of about \$88,000 income, of which \$47,500 comes from the state and approximately \$10,500 from interest-bearing funds and incidental fees.

The law was carried by a vote of 10,000 to 10,000. The local option law was another matter of sentiment. The general voter did not know anything about it; he merely thought in a general way it was right.

Call it an Assault. "Now an assault is laid against our leading educational institution. In the desire to support the Governor, the Senator from the county or some other person whom they might admire, knowing nothing of the merits of the proposition, our own legislature of 10,000 people is apt to fall into abuse and pervert what might otherwise be a meritorious system.

I do not agree with the distinguished jurist who has just preceded me that only evil can come from the initiative and referendum. I believe we can safely trust the people, and I believe that the pure democracy which the object toward which the fathers worked. It is the mission of the thinkers of this age to educate the people by the use of instruments that are placed in their hands.

Life Frittered Away. "I regret that the people have allowed the splendid holding of school lands of the state to be frittered away," said he. "If these lands had been held and administered right, they would have yielded magnificent buildings for educational purposes. It was the demagoguery of cheap politicians that allowed these lands to be wasted.

Needs of State University. President Campbell tells why appropriation should be made. President P. L. Campbell, of the State University, was the first speaker at the Commercial Club dinner last night, and was warmly greeted by applause. He said:

What is Oregon doing for its University at present it appropriates less than any other state in the Union. The value of the departmental equipment is probably less than that of any other State University, and yet the number of students seeking education is steadily growing.

The initiative and referendum. In my opinion we shall not, as a rule, obtain a very good class of nominating candidates, but to push public education. You see, the initiative and referendum are not to be used to elect a man to office, but to elect a measure, or to change the measure.

System of Public Education. Our system of public education is open to the same charge of innovation, yet it undoubtedly follows the popular fashion and popular opinion.

The Leaven of Innovation. Yet I am not a hopeless old fogey. I know that successive generations will not follow long after the lead of the past. We must accept and conform to new things. So, as the movement toward innovation is necessary for the leaven of the mass, it is so in politics, in education, in mechanics, in agriculture, in the methods of making newspapers.

Increasing Power of Democracy. It might be supposed that it would have been impossible for our country ever to be a democracy. The fact is that the democracy of our fathers who made this government; yet in fact the country is far more advanced in its democracy than it was then.

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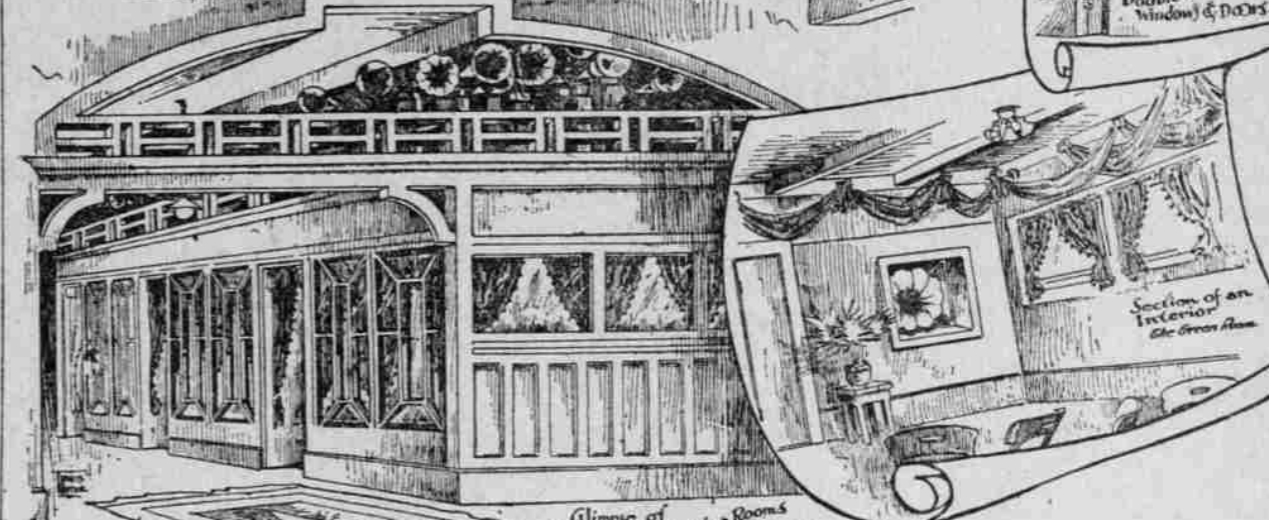
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