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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Governor Chamberlain's message to the legislature is worthy of careful consideration by our law makers and they will act along many of the lines suggested.

His first recommendation is the election of Mr. F. W. Mulkey and Jonathan Bourne as United States Senators, they being the people's choice.

Favors a complete divorce between the system of taxation for state and that for county and municipal purposes, which has already been partially accomplished. In 1899 all of the money for state purposes with the exception of \$16,923 was collected from the counties, whilst in 1906 the amount derived from indirect sources had increased to \$267,847. To further increase this change in laws governing the inheritance and income tax.

In view of the fact that two many notaries publics are appointed, an increased fee is suggested.

The advantages of a state railroad commission are set forth in length, the appointing power being vested in the Governor.

Favors the government purchasing the locks at Oregon City but if that cannot be accomplished the state should.

Reciprocal demurrage is recommended; what is good for the shipper should be likewise for the railroads.

Advocates that a state bank examiner should be provided.

The governor grew eloquent over the suggestion of a law to prevent the nefarious work of the lobbyist.

Publicity of election expenses is also recommended as well as campaign contributions.

Suggests that there are too many normal schools and that one in Eastern Oregon and one in Western Oregon might be maintained with propriety, but whatever is done the schools should be under the control of one board.

The records show that during the past year that insane patients conveyed to Salem by officers of the asylum were transported at an average cost of \$18.08 per capita, while the transportation of convicts to the penitentiary cost on an average of \$35.91, fifty per cent more, and he recommends the former policy.

On the question of convict labor, the Governor has given the subject careful consideration and urges the legislature to do likewise before passing laws relative to their employment. He does not take much stock in the establishment of a juke mill for the reason the present number

of convicts would not produce a sufficient product to warrant the expense, but thinks that they might be worked on the roads to some advantage.

The governor favors the state being represented at Jamestown exposition, also at the Also at the Alaska-Tukon-Pacific exposition.

The plumber is having his lining now

There is no danger of the fruit trees prematurely blooming out this kind of weather.

The ice crop will soon be harvested. We have such a diversity of products in this county that there is one perpetual harvest of something.

Cardinal Gibbons recently said that the dread of exposure in the public press keeps many a man sticking close to the path of rectitude who otherwise would stray off into the byways of graft.

La Grande has every reason to feel proud of her volunteer fire department. They respond promptly to all calls and as a result La Grande has not had a fire that could not be kept under control, for years.

The legislature met yesterday; both houses organized and are now ready for business. There is no reason why this session should not be a memorable one. For the first time in our history, the election of a United States senator by the legislature is merely formal. Nothing remains for the members but the consideration of state interests. It should be an honor to be a member of this session, and we will miss our guess if some splendid work is not the result.

For many years public sentiment has been growing in favor of the government ownership of the railroads, but the active work of the Interstate Commerce Commission, with its increased powers, has demonstrated that government supervision does mean something and the public is awaiting results. If this Commission fails to protect the interests of the public, nothing remains but for the government to take absolute control of the railroads, which will follow with a rush.

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Comparative statement showing growth of the bank's business in the past three years

| | Individual deposits | Total volume of business |
|------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| January 2nd 1904 | \$587,728 97 | \$678,740 98 |
| January 2nd 1905 | 627,843 18 | 859,016 86 |
| January 2nd 1906 | 736,370 60 | 986,185 67 |

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