

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

I have also during my term, conceived the idea of conditionally commencing or pardoning a prisoner where the facts involved in the conviction seemed to warrant it, reserving the right upon condition broken to return him to the penitentiary.

The administration of justice is uneven. To illustrate: There are ten judicial districts in the state. A man may be convicted in one of a simple felony, and sentenced to a long term in the penitentiary; while in another, where the crime committed is the same and under almost identical circumstances, the prisoner may be given a very short term.

Taking Prisoners to Pen. A great saving can be effected in the matter of bringing the prisoners to the penitentiary if the same system is adopted with reference to that institution as was heretofore adopted with regard to patients for the asylum.

Institute for the Feeble Minded. The report of the superintendent of the institute for the feeble minded shows that institution has just been completed and is being organized for the purpose of its creation.

State Board of Agriculture. The annual fair held under the auspices of the state board of agriculture has grown to be one of the most important factors in industrial, agricultural and horticultural development.

Library Commission. I call particular attention to the report of the Oregon library commission. It shows a steadily increasing interest in libraries and library work throughout the state.

Water Supply for State Institutions. As the population of the state increases, that of charitable, penal, and reformatory institutions increase in the same proportion.

Insurance Commissioner. The growth of the state, and the development of its business institutions has been so rapid, that it seems to me changes in the insurance laws for the better protection of the people.

Educational Institutions. The Agricultural college and the State university are in excellent condition, and the enrollment at both of these institutions is larger than ever before.

Normal Schools. Under an act of the last legislature the normal schools of the state have been placed under one board of regents and their report has been filed with the governor.

I trust the legislature will at once act for all settle the normal school question, and probably the best way to do it is to act upon the recommendations

of the regents and make provisions for maintaining three schools in the state.

Indian War Veterans. For more than half a century the state has neglected to pay a just debt due from it to those who risked their lives and gave their property for the protection of the homes of the early settlers of these wars.

Railroad Commission. The railroad commission has been in existence scarcely two years, but the work it has done already vindicated its judgment of those who advocated its creation with ample powers and the legislature which passed it.

Non-Partisan Judiciary. In some of the states, steps are being taken to secure the election of a non-partisan judiciary. This state ought not to be behind others in this important progressive movement.

Bank Guaranty Law. The question of enacting a law for the protection of the depositors in state banks has been generally discussed since the panic of one year ago.

Conclusion. In conclusion, gentlemen, permit me to express the hope that you may approach the duties incumbent on you in a spirit of compromise and patriotism.

JACKSONVILLE ITEMS. Miss Myrtle Quigley of Clunehar, Cal., was the guest of Miss Jennie Kitts Saturday and Sunday.

Water Legislation. A carefully prepared code of water laws was submitted to the last legislature for enactment, but was defeated.

Unappropriated Water Powers. The unappropriated water powers of the state ought to be reserved for the use of the public.

Employers' Liability Law. An act was passed by the legislature of 1907 known as the "Palmer-Servant Law."

all employers for the protection of all employees. In theory it may appear all right to say that there are certain open and visible risks which the employer ought to assume when he enters the employ of one engaged in a hazardous enterprise.

Carrying Concealed Weapons. Many of the fatal accidents caused by the promiscuous sale and careless use of firearms, and much crime, can be avoided by a law that will restrict the sale and use of guns, pistols and similar deadly weapons.

For Eczema, Tetter and Salt Rheum. The intense itching characteristic of these ailments is almost instantly allayed by Chamberlain's Salve.

Fever Sores. Fever sores and old chronic sores should not be healed entirely, but should be kept in healthy condition.

Prepaid Railroad Orders. "Something which is of considerable interest to the public generally and which is perhaps not generally known is the system of prepaid orders now in effect between stations of the Southern Pacific company and all points in the United States.

Medford Time Table. SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY. Northbound No. 10 Oregon Express..... 5:24 p.m.

PACIFIC & EASTERN RAILWAY. No. 1 Leaves Medford..... 8:10 a.m. No. 3 Leaves Medford..... 2:50 p.m.

ROGUE RIVER VALLEY RAILWAY. No. 2 Leaves Medford..... 10:45 a.m. No. 4 Leaves Medford..... 5:35 p.m.

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land and Mr. and Mrs. George Linn of Eugene have returned to their homes after spending the holidays with relatives in this city.

W. C. Kitts was a Medford caller Wednesday as was attorney Gus Newberry.

Mrs. W. R. Colman went up to Phoenix Wednesday evening to be present at the Cate-Rose wedding.

Robert Dow, deputy sheriff, and Alonzo Slover of Medford left for Salem on Thursday evening, having in charge C. E. Raneh who was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for forgery.

Mrs. H. Messenger of Provolet, Ore., is visiting friends in town. Mrs. Messenger was formerly Miss Mattie Dunlap.

"Chuck" Wilcox left for Oakland, Cal., Saturday to reenter St. Mary's college, having spent his vacation at home.

Among those who went up to Phoenix from here Wednesday to be present at the Cate-Rose wedding were; Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Colman, Miss Towne, Miss Donegan, and Rev. Robert Ennis.

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RIVERSIDE SUBDIVISION. This most beautiful addition to Medford is to be put on the market and the first sale will occur FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 1909. LARGE SIZED LOTS. Good garden soil, natural oak trees, flower streets, four blocks to North school, sewerage already in.

More Light for Less Money. Sixty-three per cent of electric current saved by using TUNGSTEN LAMPS. 32 Candle Power Edison Lamp uses 110 Watts per hour and would use in 1000 hrs. 110 Kilowatts which at 10 cts. a Kilowatt \$11

EIFERT The City Tailor. MERCHANTS LUNCH. STARTING DECEMBER 28, WE WILL PUT ON A MERCHANTS' LUNCH FROM 11:30 A. M. UNTIL 2 P. M. PRICE 50c

Allen & Reagan Groceries, Chinaware, Fruit and Feed. SALEM BEER. SALEM is the most popular beer in Northern California and Southern Oregon. Mrs. Irene Hampton Isaacs Instructor of Piano. Liszt Method

If You Owned the Earth. You couldn't find a better place to live than in this glorious Rogue River valley, with its incomparable winter and summer climate. ROGUE RIVER LAND COMPANY EXHIBIT BUILDING, MEDFORD, OREGON