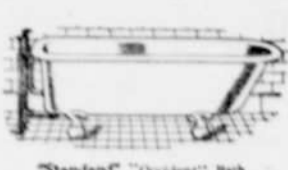


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HOUSE KNOCKS OUT HOME RULE PLAN

VOTE OF 32 TO 25 NAILS MOVE TO SUBMIT; INITIATIVE IS NOW PROBABLE; BIG LOBBY HEARS DEBATE WHEN LOWER ASSEMBLY TURNS DOWN SENATE SANCTION

Notwithstanding the fact that the Senate had sanctioned the submission to the people in 1914 of the so-called home rule amendment, passed by the people in 1910, the House last Friday afternoon, by a vote of 32 to 25, refused so to submit the amendment and it will not, therefore, go to the people through the medium of the Legislature. It is intimated that it will, however, be voted on by means of the initiative.

A large lobby was present when the debate, which lasted from 2 to 3:30, was in progress, among them a committee from the Portland Ministerial Association—Dr. J. W. McDougall, superintendent of Portland district of the M. E. church; Rev. W. F. Reager, pastor of the First Christian Church, and Rev. F. D. Finley, pastor of the First United Presbyterian Church of Portland.

The vote was an out and out one, only two members being absent by permission of the House, these being Campbell and Lofgren. Hill of Polk county was the lone member who got out into the corridor and did not vote.

HELP THE CHILDREN TO HELP THEMSELVES

N. C. Maria, of the department of education of the state, has sent out the following circular:

"In every town and city there are many vacant lots growing up to weeds that might just as well be producing garden and flowers, thus adding beauty and utility to the city instead of being an eye sore. Many of these lots are owned by non-residents and others who would be glad to donate the use of them to the children. Almost every town or community has its Parent Teachers' Circle, civic board and perhaps other organizations, and they and the school board should get together and from their membership appoint a committee, whose duty it shall be to secure the use of them for the children and arrange to have them plowed and fenced, when necessary. In appointing these committees do not overlook the ladies, for in our experience we have found them adepts at such work. It would also be their duty to plan and manage the local contests, provide prizes for same, and to select exhibits to be forwarded to the State Fair, and to show the children how to pack, mark, enter and ship them. The teacher is not always qualified to do this work, and has about all he can do beside. Then when school closes and perhaps the teacher leaves the town the children need help and encouragement which this committee can give.

In every town and city are many children who have little or nothing to do outside of school hours. No healthy child can be idle, and without some direction of his activities and some provision of a proper avenue through which to vent them, they are apt to be wasted. It is not so much the fault of these children if they get into mischief and form habits of idleness, and possibly viciousness, as it is the fault of parents, guardians and others for not providing interesting and profitable employment for them. To aid in providing this employment and making it attractive and profitable is the object of the industrial contest movement inaugurated last year. To make this a perfect success it must have the co-operation of parents, teachers, school boards and all public spirited citizens, and we know of no better way in which they can help them as above suggested. Try it. Let the teacher or president of the Parent-Teachers' Circle call a meeting at once, effect an organization and report to the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, Salem, Oregon, in order that he can put you on his mailing list for bulletins, etc., and assist you in every way possible.

A bill has been introduced in the legislature to provide penalty for "malicious and vicious gossip" by women. The bill aims to reach the women who circulate slanderous lies about candidates during a political campaign, and makes the penalty imprisonment. There are three suffragettes in Redmond who, at the last city election, peddled such malicious lies against some of the candidates as to earn them a stiff jail sentence under the proposed law.

LEGISLATURE ASKED TO GIVE UP \$8,287,819

REQUESTS THIS SESSION BREAK RECORD; PRUNING KNIFE IS NOW AT WORK; LAW MAKERS LIKELY TO SLASH TO BONE WITHOUT MERCY; A CUT OF \$1,000,000 IS MADE

A total of \$8,287,819, according to official figures, as near as can be estimated, will be the requests that the present Legislature will be called on to face in the shape of appropriations.

This will be a record breaker for requests, but there's no reason to believe that when the smoke has blown away and the final tale has been told that this will be a much more expensive Legislature than the one two years ago.

In fact there are indications that the amount may be reduced below that of two years ago. The scythe is already beginning to mow down appropriation bills. The committees of both the House and the Senate, having to do with ways and means, are slashing right and left on institutional and other appropriations.

Already over \$5,000,000 in requests have been put in, and the list shows not only the appropriation bills that have been introduced, but the estimates that have been made for the various state boards, commissions, offices and institutions, so it gives a fairly adequate idea of the entire financial situation that now presents itself to the Legislative Assembly.

It is a problem from the standpoint of the tax payers' purse, the like of which no Legislature has had to confront in the history of the state, the demands of two years ago being in the neighborhood of \$7,000,000. The ways and means committee, as a criterion of the manner in which it intends to handle the estimates as to appropriations, has already cut nearly \$140,000 from the Eastern Oregon Asylum estimates, and so far has probably knocked out nearly \$1,000,000 of the requests that have been made, although all of these reports have not found their way into the Legislature.

NO ROLL CALL NEEDED TO KILL BLUE SUNDAY LAW; LONE DEFENDER

REVISION OF LAWS COMMITTEE SAYS THERE ARE PLENTY OF SUNDAY STATUTES NOW ON THE BOOKS AND THERE IS NO NEED FOR ANY MORE

There will be no "Blue Sunday" legislation by the present Legislature.

This much was made certain last Friday morning when the House, with only the feeblest of protests, killed Nolta's bill, which had been indorsed by the Portland Ministerial association, to close theaters, base ball games and other amusements on Sunday. The ministers declared that Sunday amusements interfered with the church attendance.

The bill was killed painlessly when the House adopted unanimously the report of the committee on revision of laws, to which it had been referred, that it be indefinitely postponed. The committee declared there was already enough Sunday legislation on the statute books to cover all contingencies.

Nolta, speaking briefly in defense of his bill, declared it had some good points, but there was no other discussion. The bill was killed by acclamation, even without the formality of a roll call.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Among the recent real estate transfers in this city are:

Chester A. Weston to J. D. Butler, lots 11-12, block 14, \$275.

F. M. Zumwalt to D. L. Miller, one half interest in W 1/2 lots 13, 14, 15, 16, block 35, \$1.00.

John E. Lamb to Wm. F. Fryrear, lots 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, block 67, lot 3, block 55, \$1.00.

Matei Kulesch to Henry C. Schumacher, lots 1, 2, 3, block 47, \$300.

Redmond Townsite Co. to W. C. Silyer, lot 12, block 6, \$140.

C. H. Irvin to Clem Brown, lot 1, block 15, \$550.

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