

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

A Proposition for Direct Legislation by the People.

Following is the proposed amendment to be voted for at the coming election in June, providing for direct legislation:

Section 1 of Article IV of the constitution of the state of Oregon shall be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

Section 2—The legislative authority of the state shall be vested in a legislative assembly, consisting of a house of representatives and a senate, but the people reserve to themselves the power to propose laws and amendments of the constitution, and to enact or reject at the polls any act of the legislative assembly. The first power reserved by the people is the initiative, and not more than eight per cent of the legal voters shall be required to propose any measure by such petition, and every such petition shall include the full text of the measure so proposed. Initiative petitions shall be filed with the secretary of state not less than four months before the election at which they are to be voted on. The second power is the referendum, and it may be ordered except as to laws necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety, either by petition, signed by five per cent of the legal voters, or by the legislative assembly as other bills are enacted. Referendum petitions shall be filed with the secretary of state not more than 90 days after the final adjournment of the session of the legislative assembly which passed the measure on which the referendum is demanded. The veto power of the governor shall not extend to measures referred to the people. All elections of the state shall be held at the biennial general elections, except when the general legislative assembly shall order a special election. Any measure referred to the people shall take effect and become a law when it is approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon, and not otherwise. The style of all bills shall be: "Be it enacted by the people of the state of Oregon." This section shall not be construed to deprive any member of the legislative assembly of the right to introduce any measure. The whole number of votes cast for justice of the supreme court at the regular election last preceding the filing of any petition for the initiative or for the referendum shall be the basis on which the number of legal voters necessary to sign such petition shall be counted. Petitions and orders for the initiative and for the referendum shall be filed with the secretary of state and in submitting the same to the people, he and all other officers shall be guided by the general laws and the act submitting this amendment until legislation shall be provided therefor. Adopted by the house January 27, 1899.

E. V. CARTER,
Speaker of the House.
Concurred in by the senate,
February 2, 1899.

T. C. TAYLOR,
President of the Senate.
Approved February 6, 1899.

T. T. GREE, governor.

Eastern Oregon.

In an address before the Royal Society of Mining Engineers in London, England, Professor Herbert Bartlett, one of the most eminent mining engineers in the world

and the man who wrote the first authentic geological essay on Eastern Oregon formations, thus spoke:—"Eastern Oregon is the largest mining district in the world. It is 80 miles wide by 160 miles long, and every one of these twelve thousand square miles is mineralized. I quote from a brilliant article written by Colonel Pat Donan, of Portland, Oregon, one of the most brilliant writers on the Pacific slope of America, who truthfully says that from the Seven Devils copper mountains of Idaho to the golden crags and gulches of Canyon City, 80 miles southwest, the whole region for 100 miles, is a vast mineral bed between Baker City and Snake river lies a free gold zone of about 1000 square miles, and westward stretches the field of smelting ores, mingled in many places with immense ledges of free gold.

"This area of 12,800 square miles, or within a trifle as much as the states of Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut all combined, is traversed in every direction by squares of the picturesque Blue mountains, from 6000 to 10,000 feet high, and diversified by innumerable bold torrents like the Wallowa, Innaha, Grand Ronde, Burnt and Powder rivers, and the tributaries of the John Day and Malheur.

"There are immense forests of valuable timber, and the valleys are exhaustless in their fertility, the pasturage for live stock is abundant all the year, and the climate is mild, equitable and healthful enough for a perpetual esutarium. It is a land of gold and golden grain, where valleys that yield 40 to 70 bu. of wheat, from 60 to 110 bushels of oats, and from 300 to 600 bushels of potatoes, to the acre, are walled in by mountains of gold quartz that run from \$5 to \$5000 to the ton, and watered by streams whose gravel yields from five cents to \$50 to the pan.

"So far as limited exploration has gone, all its peaks and foothills seemed ribbed with royal ore, and all its gulches and creek beds exhaustless deposits of golden sands; with silver, copper, lead and iron abound, and opals and other precious stones are found in some localities. It has produced untold millions of gold, that in earlier days went to San Francisco to swell the reports of Californian's yield.

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Is He Building a Steamer?

ASTORIA, March 31.—News reaches this place tonight that A. B. Hammond, who is in the East, is having built at the Newport News Company's shipyards a steel steamer, which is a forerunner of a large fleet of like kind, which is to be put on the Coast from this point. The present steamer is to cost \$250,000, and is to have a lumber carrying capacity of 1,600,000 feet. She will be so constructed that with nine feet draft she will be enabled to enter Shalem, Tillamook and other shallow harbors and carry 1,000,000 feet of lumber. She is also to be well equipped to carry passengers, and will be so constructed that she can be loaded and unloaded within 24 hours. It is claimed that this fleet will revolutionize shipping at point. Mr. Hammond is expected to return in about 10 days, and other matters of importance are expected to be developed for the interest of the Northwest.



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