

FRAMING NEW LAWS

Multnomah Delegation Will Keep Busy.

WEEKLY MEETINGS PROPOSED

Committee Will Soon Go to Work—Amendment of Law May Meet Opposition—Unanimous for New City Charter.

The "coming out party" of the Multnomah lawmakers last week was such a big success that the gentlemen will try the same thing over again next Friday night. These "functions" will probably be weekly affairs until the Legislature shall convene. The solons have now "got busy" and their next turnover will be to "get wise" on certain matters of legislation that will be "up to them." The lawmakers will have to butt into a great pile of bills ere long and, if they don't see what they want, it will be because they want it buried underneath.

To Amend Tax Laws. An effort will doubtless be made to amend the new tax law now in force, toward the end of reducing penalties for delinquency, lessening or abolishing the rebate for early payment, and making taxes payable in the fall of the year instead of in the early spring.

These proposed changes will labor under heavy disadvantages, on account of the highly efficient and satisfactory operation of the law as it now stands. The success of the law has been remarkable. The accounts of the Sheriff of Multnomah County show that the amount of delinquent taxes this year is only \$26,611.23. This sum is insignificant compared with that of last year. In 1901 delinquencies amounted to \$251,196.71 over 19 times as much as this year.

The new system has saved money to the county. It has saved money to property-owners who have heretofore had to pay largely for the delinquency of others. It has secured prompt payment of taxes. In short, it has accomplished all that it was intended to do. It would seem therefore that any endeavor to change its essential character will be a work.

Bills to Benefit Labor. Labor unions will present a bill to restrict child labor, another to create an office of State Labor Commissioner, whose duties would be those of gathering information and statistics about labor in general, another to prevent overcrowding of theaters and a fourth to enact legislation for an eight-hour day for workmen.

The most important election law, which the Legislature will be called to enact, will be one for direct primary nominations. Such legislation as this will be the natural step in advance of the primary law passed by the last Legislature for election of delegates to political conventions. The Multnomah delegation will approve such a measure if it is framed constitutionally. The members of the delegation who have been interviewed on the subject have expressed themselves as favorable to a direct primary law.

Taxpayers' League Bills. The Taxpayers' League has a number of bills under preparation for the better administration of county affairs. The two most important are bills to amend the tax law so that the Assessor may reach personal property more effectively. Much personal property in the form of stocks of goods is brought into the county after the assessment has been made and that way escapes taxation. Second, to limit the county expenditures to the amount of the tax levy. Other bills to be offered by the league are:

To make the County Treasurer the tax collector. To allow purchase of county supplies up to the value of \$50 by other method than by competitive bid and contract. To limit the power of County Commissioners to the actual number of days given to county business.

To give the County Auditor authority to pass upon bills of the county. To provide for fuller publication of the financial accounts of the county. The delegation will have neither to chew nor to digest the new city charter, because it has been first to give the instrument as framed by the commission.

Lewis and Clark Fair. The Lewis and Clark committee, which Chairman Hodson will appoint, will confer with the Lewis and Clark Board. The board will meet next Friday. President Corbett will receive a number of committees, including one on legislation. With this legislation committee the committee of the delegation will confer.

Chairman Hodson has received on bill for the consideration of the delegation. This bill is framed to secure better service from telephone companies. It imposes a fine of \$25 when a company requires a deposit of money and fails to give the connection, and a fine of \$100 for failure of a company to respond promptly to calls and to give quick service.

A bill to protect timber lands from fire will be offered. This measure will provide for wardens or rangers to patrol forest districts. These wardens would be appointed and paid either by the state or by the owners of the lands; if by the latter, the wardens would exercise police powers and be timbered with the full power of the law. Timber-land interests will make a strong pull for protection against fire at the coming session. Laws may be proposed to restrain farmers and land-clearers from the free use of fire which they now enjoy.

Foreign corporations will be required to have a resident agent in Oregon. Amendments to the general fee bill will be proposed to remove discrepancies. The game laws will probably be amended so as to shorten the season for killing upland birds and to open the season earlier. Licenses may be imposed on hunters who do not live in the state. The Game Warden believes that the money received therefrom would sustain the office enable it to do its work more effectively.

The Dairy and Food Commissioner will ask for amendments that will enable him to require higher standards of spices, condiments and vinegar. He will ask that sales of butter be permitted only in one- and two-pound rolls and squares. An attempt may be made to restore the Board of Charities and Correction, which had a brief life 19 years ago. Bills may be offered to put state institutions under the control of individual nonpartisan boards.

A law will be proposed to require that inmates of the hospital for the insane at Salem be skilled attendants.

CONTEST FOR THEIR CHILD

Mother Arrested at Instance of Her Husband for Child-Stealing.

Mrs. Minnie Bradish was brought from Hood River yesterday, in company with her daughter, Pearl Heath, 9 years old, by Special Officer Hawley, of the Boys and Girls' Aid Society, and the mother was locked up at the City Jail, charged with child-stealing. Her daughter was taken to the home of the Boys and Girls' Aid Society. In an interview Mrs. Bradish stated:

"These legal proceedings against me have been started by my divorced husband, F. M. Heath, who secured a divorce from me in South Dakota several years ago. We have five children, the ages of whom vary from 15 to 5 years, and at the time the divorce was granted the court awarded my husband the custody of our children. I kept several of the children with me. Pearl among them, and married a second time, one Frederick Bradish, but, on account of my keeping the children, he left me, and I understand he is now in the territory. My first husband came to this city three years ago, and he is in the furniture business. I went to Spokane, and there Pearl became very ill, and I procured medical attendance and medicine for her until she got well."

"About one week ago Heath, my first husband, wrote me to come to Portland, and that he would take care of the child and me, but I then found that he had a housekeeper already engaged. I then took Pearl with me to Hood River, where I supported her and myself by working out. I only took my daughter with me to take her to the doctor. The doctor advised me to try to take Pearl from me when I was in Spokane, but that was unsuccessful."

DAILY CITY STATISTICS

- Marriage Licenses. Charles de Lashmitt, 32; Mary Dorner, 42. R. E. Day, 34; M. M. This, 24. Joseph N. Jones, 36; Nora E. Faulkner, 21. Fred W. Booth, 23; Mina Zeek, 23.
- Contagious Diseases. November 8, Violet Hays, northwest corner East and Third streets; typhoid fever. November 8, Mabel Pittman, Woodlawn; typhoid fever.
- Births. November 2, boy to the wife of J. A. Jones, 480 Rodney avenue. November 1, girl to the wife of Bert Hicks, 544 East Seventh street.
- Deaths. November 7, Andrew Lyons, 25 years 3 months, days, 641 Marshall street; pulmonary hemorrhage. November 8, Charles F. Hoffman, 44 years, St. Vincent's Hospital; typhoid fever. November 8, Charles Perrin, 25 years, St. Vincent's Hospital; chronic nephritis. November 8, A. H. Smith, 24 years, North Pacific Sanitarium; peritonitis.
- Building Permits. Mrs. Nellie Smith, one-story dwelling, Union avenue, between Felling and Beech; \$1000.
- Sidewalk Permits. George Haschin, Tenth and Lovejoy; 100 feet. Contractor, Fourth and Hall; 36 feet cement. Turn Verlin, Twenty-second and Hoyt; 20 feet. J. W. Morris, Twenty-first and Lovejoy; 20 feet. One Johnson, East Twelfth and Tillamook; 20 feet. Total, 286 feet cement.
- Real Estate Transfers. James S. Johnstone and wife to E. Schwenbecher, lots 2 and 4, block 5, South Portland; \$400. L. Holbrook and wife to D. Gammans, block 1, sections 1, 2, 31 and 32, township 1 south, range 2 west, 20,000. Block 4, James Johns' Second Addition; river lots or blocks 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100. D. F. Sherman, administrator to the Union Trust & Investment Company, lots 1 and 2, block 1, section 1, township 1 south, range 2 west, 20,000. D. F. Sherman, administrator to the Union Trust & Investment Company, lots 1 and 2, block 1, section 1, township 1 south, range 2 west, 20,000. D. F. Sherman, administrator to the Union Trust & Investment Company, lots 1 and 2, block 1, section 1, township 1 south, range 2 west, 20,000. D. F. Sherman, administrator to the Union Trust & Investment Company, lots 1 and 2, block 1, section 1, township 1 south, range 2 west, 20,000.

FOR IRRIGATION WEEK.

More Than Half of Entertainment Fund Raised.

All the money for irrigation week will be raised by tomorrow. In the afternoon the business men's committee will meet to complete plans for the entertainment of the many visitors who will be in the city. This morning a committee was raised for the purpose of raising the money for the expenses of the convention will make a tour of Front and First-street merchants for subscriptions. Yesterday the fund stood at \$260. Today and tomorrow it will be increased to \$1500. The several subscription committees will scurry around lively. Chairman Ben Selling, of the entertainment committee, told the gentlemen yesterday that his board of directors had decided the money was in sight, hence the committee is now on the hustle. The donations range from \$50 down. That sum each has been subscribed by Laid & Tilton, First National Bank, City & Suburban Railway Company and the Portland Railway Company.

Hotel facilities will be severely taxed by the thousands of visitors who will be in Portland "Irrigation week." Known people are engaging accommodations ahead.

MUSIC IN THE SCHOOLS.

Board Delays Action Again—Protest Against Water Taxes.

At the meeting of the Board of Education last evening the vexing question of the continuation of music in the schools was not brought up on account of Chairman Richard Williams being forced to leave soon after the meeting opened. The music question will be brought up at the next meeting, and will probably be settled. If the board does decide to continue the study of music as it was taught last year, the question of selecting a supervisor will then confront the members. The resignation of Mrs. M. B. Hogue as teacher in the night school was accepted and Mrs. W. C. Alderson elected to fill the position. H. R. Winchel was made assistant of the Williams Avenue night school. Charles Marlas, the janitor of the North Central School, tendered his resignation, and J. F. Burns was appointed to fill the vacancy. On account of increased work, Nathan Wagner, the janitor of the Chapman School, asked a higher salary and the board allowed him an increase of \$5 per month. School Clerk H. S. Allen then read the water bill for the schools for October,

WITHSTOOD BIG CURRENT

LINEMAN RECEIVED 6000 VOLTS OF ELECTRICITY, BUT LIVES.

Three Times Current Used to Kill Criminals Burned Him, But He Fell and Saved His Life.

A charge of electricity, said to be 6000 volts, passed through the body of George Stinson, an employe of the Portland General Electric Company yesterday, and while he was badly shocked, it is thought that no serious injuries resulted. Considered that but 200 volts are used to kill criminals in the electric chair, this occurrence is considered little short of a true miracle, and can be accounted for only by the fact that the victim fell from the wires the instant that they touched him, being exposed to the mighty charge but a fraction of a second. The live wires burned through his clothing and made bad burns on his arm and thigh, and he was knocked from a scaffold 15 feet high and sustained some internal injuries on account of the fall. It was impossible to diagnose his case thoroughly last night, but it thought a rib was broken. He was coughing blood and it is thought probable that the broken end of the rib was driven into the lung.

DOLE DENIES LABOR'S WAIL

Porto Ricans Not Illy Treated on Hawaiian Plantation.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—Secretary Hitchcock has received from Governor Dole, of Hawaii, a statement denying reports of ill-treatment of several thousand Porto Ricans on Hawaiian sugar plantations. The laborers went to Hawaii at the solicitation of the Sugar Planters' Association, and the complaint was made by Pedro J. Agostini, father of one of the workmen. The Governor says, after an investigation, that the desire of some of the laborers to return to Porto Rico results from homesickness, influenced by imaginative persons, and will subside with time, and that the condition of the industrious Porto Ricans is satisfactory and their health improved.

WORKING ON CUBAN REPORT

General Wood Returns to Washington to Take Up His Work.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—General Wood returned to Washington today, and at once resumed work on his report of occupation and government of Cuba. He says he has been absent too long to speak with any actual or direct knowledge of the present conditions in Cuba with the prospects of the island. He has not yet seen Minister Quesada, nor has he had opportunity to discuss the situation with officials of the United States, who are familiar with recent developments. General Wood called on the White House and had a brief interview with the President. He said there was no official significance in his visit, and he desired merely to pay his respects.

DIFFERENCE WITH CUBA.

Main Issue With America Is the Rebate on Sugar.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—While the Cuban reciprocity treaty remains in Havana, President Palma has supplied to Senator Quesada the Cuban report here, full instructions as to the representations to be made to the United States Government respecting it, and these already have been made known to Secretary Hay. It is a familiar with recent developments. The negotiators is the rate of rebate to be allowed upon Cuban sugar and tobacco entering the United States, and as indicated last week it is probable that there will be a compromise between the 25 per cent which the United States Government is willing to allow and the 50 per cent which the Cubans demand.

Women from their sedentary habits are often subject to headache and constipation. These are quickly removed by Carter's Little Liver Pills.

TRACY IN YELLOW COVERS

BLOOD-CURLING HISTORY OF THE OUTLAW APPEARS.

All Thrilling Details of His Flight and Death Are Pictured in Dime-News Style.

In an octavo volume adorned with gaudy cuts is contained the history of Tracy, the outlaw. It is published by Laird & Lee, and has made its appearance on local news-stands. It is written not for the dilettante perusal of the effete who live in houses with front door bells and like prosaic adjuncts of an outworn civilization, but for the exhilarating detection of those short-trousered pirates, highwaymen, buccaners and whole-souled knights of the dark lantern who infest every household in the land. Here they drink deep of the tragic spring. The very first page bears an enchanted dress. "He was born— not, O unsophisticated reader, in a definite and therefore vulgar spot, but 'either in a county in New York or in Louisville, Ky.'" What more romantic beginning to a career could one imagine? Think of it! Throughout the perils of life to wear the mystery of an undecided birthplace! One can fancy to himself the scorn with which the young desperado who hugs his book to his bloodstained waist-front thinks of the family Bible where his own birthday is marked in ink of maddening indelibility.

There is but one incident of Tracy's early history that stands forth the portend of his future. His "bedlam" mother had grossly ordered him to bring in the wood: "Ha! Ha!" laughed the embryo outlaw, a wild rage thickening his heart's blood. "Dost tell me to do menial's toil? I swear by the dark shore of Erebus that I will not!" His mother quailed in dire dread. She recognized the master's spirit.

The boy had shown a man's soul. His career was begun. After this glimpse of the future terror of three states there is nothing but dark hints till we reach his life in Chicago. Again we quote, more or less accurately: State street lay a vast vista of spoil, and the young desperado gloated with great glories.

A policeman strolled watchfully across the pavement. He knew not of his doom. Tracy took off his coat and pulled a dress shirt out of a concealed pocket. An instant later a timid female approached the dread guardian of the law. There was an instant's parley. A smothered shriek resounded. The policeman fled. Two piercing gray eyes had read his inmost soul. The coast was clear. Five minutes later the young hero walked away, bearing a precious sack of prizes from the stall he had watched for hours.

The deed was done, and no eye saw. The rest of the story is familiar to the reader. But the harrowing details of Tracy's late moments have not yet been given to the world. The barrel of his trusty rifle was hot beyond holding. Beads of sweat stood out upon the bold man's brow. He had only 120 rounds of ammunition left. His pursuers numbered four. He did not give up hope. Clutching his trusty knife in his teeth, carrying his rifle in one hand and a revolver in the other, he crept on hands and knees from the shelter of the rock blasted by the smoke from his shots.

A bullet plowed up the dust under him. "Thrice base villain!" he muttered. Then with a wild laugh he rose to his full height and plunged into the thicket. He was safe. "Fod again!" he gloated between his teeth. But his pursuers had not lost the scent. A rifle ball broke his leg. The hot blood flowed. He stanced it with a leather strap. He pressed on. Stealthily the posse slunk upon their prey. Hour after hour they listened for the sound of crackling wheat stalks. Night came on. There was a dull report. Tracy had balked vengeance again. The posse knew it not. Dawn broke and the posse advanced on their prey. They had been advancing for six weeks. They still advanced. They were dauntless. Suddenly the bravest rose. "Death or \$5000 reward," he yelled. The others were up. Suddenly a cheer rent the welkin. Those waiting listened with creaking belts. The cry was repeated. The stirring notes froze their blood. They had lost the reward. The man who had dared death came back. "Poitroone!" he cried again. And Tracy's grim lips smiled in death.

DEATH OF A WELL-KNOWN LANE COUNTY WOMAN.

Mrs. Ellen L. Lockwood, who died at Lorane, Lane County, Oregon, October 31, emigrated to Oregon from California with her husband in the year 1880, and up to the time of her death resided in Lane County, and nearly all of the time at Lorane, where she has been a leading person in that community, esteemed and beloved by all. She was a zealous and devoted member of Sunlaw Grange, an officer of the Sunlaw Agricultural Society, and as president of that association her good work brought it to the front and to recent notice by the papers of the state. Mrs. Lockwood was born in Concord, Jefferson County, Wis., January 23, 1848. Her father, Hon. J. D. Petrie, now resides with his wife, the mother of Mrs. Lockwood, on a farm near Lorane. Besides her husband, she had seven children—Watkins F., of Vancouver, B. C.; Ernest C., of Cottage Grove, Or.; Gertrude E., Mildred G., Flossie A., Stanley G. and Ursula, all of Lorane. The immediate cause of her death was dropsy of the heart. She was buried November 1 in the Old Fellows' Cemetery at Lorane, and the funeral was attended by the community for miles around.

WOUND GIVE UP CHILD.

But Court Says Proceeding Must Go on in Colma Case.

VICTORIA, B. C., Nov. 10.—Captain Colman, accused of kidnaping his child from San Francisco, today offered to return the child to the mother if the extradition proceedings were waived. The mother and her counsel agreed, but Justice Walker, before whom the case was tried, this afternoon said that he could not stop the proceedings. The case was set in motion and justice must be done. He deferred the decision pending an examination of the documents in the case. Meanwhile the child is held by the local police.

DESTROY PROPERTY OF DEAD INDIANS.

VICTORIA, B. C., Nov. 10.—After waiting in the hope that news would be received of the missing sailing schooner Hatzio for a year, the Kootenai Indians have destroyed 2000 blankets and all the furniture taken from the houses of the Indians who were on board the schooner.

BANKERS FILING IN.

National Convention Will Open at New Orleans as Today.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 10.—Half a dozen special trains from as many points between New York and California arrived today for the convention of the American Bankers' Association, which begins tomorrow. Myron T. Herrick, the National president, headed the Cleveland, O., excursion, and spoke at the meeting of the Progressive Union tonight. The executive council held a session today, and were guests at a private banquet tonight. Headquarters have been opened at the St. Charles Hotel, and 900 delegates have already registered. The formal opening of the convention will take place in the morning, and the address of Controller Hedges will be the first day's feature. San Francisco and Seattle are already in the field for the next convention.

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Courts on the ground that all the parties really interested were nonresidents of Oregon. This request was refused, and the Supreme Court approves the refusal for the reason that the plaintiff sought a personal judgment against the Portland Savings Bank and Richard Nixon, receiver, who were residents of Oregon. A demurrer, and subsequently a plea in abatement, were interposed upon the ground that the company had been created by special act of the New York Legislature; that it had executed powers of attorney to its agent in Multnomah County, and that the United States Mortgage & Trust Company was not legally authorized to do business in this state. The demurrer was overruled and the plea decided adversely. It was shown by the evidence that the plaintiff had been created by special act of the New York Legislature; that it had executed powers of attorney to its agent in Multnomah County, and that the United States Mortgage & Trust Company was not legally authorized to do business in this state. The demurrer was overruled and the plea decided adversely. It was shown by the evidence that the plaintiff had been created by special act of the New York Legislature; that it had executed powers of attorney to its agent in Multnomah County, and that the United States Mortgage & Trust Company was not legally authorized to do business in this state.

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